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1. INTRODUCTION

The National Bureau of Standards, in cooperation with the Rural Electrification Administration, made a field study of the air infiltration in ten electrically heated houses in the region of the Indiana Statewide Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc., to obtain information that could be used to better evaluate the heating load of similar houses. All houses were occupied at the time of the tests, which caused certain inconveniences to the occupants as well as to the investigating team, and also affected, somewhat, the control that could be maintained over the test conditions. Selection of about a dozen houses had been planned for the study of air infiltration, comprising various combinations of one- and two-story brick and frame construction built over basements, crawl spaces, or on concrete slabs-on-grade. Not all of these twelve different constructions were available for investigation in the Indiana Statewide Rural Electric Cooperative region, so ten residences which comprised a good variety of the desired features were selected.

2. DESCRIPTION OF HOUSES

The size, shape, and type of each of the ten houses investigated are illustrated by the floor plans of the living areas in Figures 1 through 10 at the end of the report. Pertinent data on the materials used in the walls, floors, and ceilings, the size of windows and doors, as well as the age of the houses, and type of heating system are shown in Tables 1 through 10 at the end of the report.

A summary of the more significant data on the materials and dimensions for all the houses is shown in Table 11. This table indicates that there were four brick, five frame, and one stone building, of which six were one-story high and four were two stories in height. Five buildings had a basement, four had a crawl space, and one building was built on a concrete slab-on-grade. There were four practically new houses, and the ages of the others ranged from 6 to 46 years, averaging 27 years. The heated floor area of the buildings ranged from 598 square feet to 2,490 square feet, with an average of 1,427 square feet.

The total lengths of cracks around doors and windows are shown in this table. These measurements were taken from the respective floor plans according to methods described in the ASHRAE "Guide" and were used in calculating the air infiltration values based on the crack length.

Table 11
Summary of Pertinent Data on Houses

House Occupant	Material in Walls	No. of Stories	Foundation	Age years	Heated Floor Area sq ft	Crack Length, ft Windows		
						Door	Single	Double
Hardy	Brick	1	Crawl sp.	20	1220	57		219
Hufford	Frame	1	Basement	30	1229	38	46	234
Craig	Brick	1	Crawl sp.	New	1510	38		162
Metzger	Frame	2	Basement	20	1230	38	90	189
Wrigley	Frame	2	Basement	40	1510	76	126	126
Spann	Stone	1	Basement	New	1658	80		226
Yeiter	Frame	1	Crawl sp.	New	1130	40		162
Dieckman	Frame	2	Crawl sp.	46	1696	56	8	252
Farnsley	Brick	2	Basement	New	2490	39		224
Lunsford	Brick Apt.	1	Slab	6	598	46		68

3. TEST METHOD AND PROCEDURE

Infiltration is defined as the air leakage of a building through cracks and interstices around doors and windows and through floors and walls that cannot be directly controlled by the occupants. Ventilation includes the controlled displacement of air in a building through openings, such as windows, doors, ventilators, and combustion heating devices using either natural or mechanical motivation. The magnitude of infiltration depends on the wind and temperature forces, and the structural design, workmanship, and condition of the building.

The air change rate of an enclosure is defined as the ratio of the hourly rate at which the air enters (or leaves) the enclosure to the volume of the enclosure.

The infiltration of air in each of the ten electrically heated houses was determined by the tracer gas method.^{1/} The apparatus used was the portable infiltration meter developed at the National Bureau of Standards.^{2/} Approximately 1/2 percent of helium in relation to the total volume of the house was introduced after the test apparatus had been brought to a temperature equilibrium in the house. The helium was mixed with the room air by using several desk fans. The outside doors and windows were closed, whereas closets and cupboards, and all inside doors were kept open, so the concentration of tracer gas would decay in these spaces at the same rate as in the living space. The ten sensing probes were placed near the centers of the rooms about 3 feet above floor level, and readings were taken at each probe station at 5-minute intervals for a period of 1 hour or more. During the test, the indoor and outdoor temperatures were measured as well as the wind velocity and direction in the vicinity of the house about 10 feet above ground. Two to four infiltration tests were made in each dwelling at prevailing conditions over a period of about 2 days.

^{1/} Marley, W. G., "The Measurement of the Rate of Air Change," Journal of the Institution of Heating and Ventilating Engineers, Vol. 2, 1935.

^{2/} Coblenz, C. W., and Achenbach, P. R., "Design and Performance of a Portable Infiltration Meter," Transactions, American Society of Heating and Air Conditioning Engineers, Vol. 63, 1957.

4. TEST RESULTS

A total of thirty infiltration tests were made. Two of these had to be omitted, however, because of significant changes in the infiltration rates during the test period, caused by opening of outside doors.

It was found that the most practical way of evaluating the readings of the infiltration meter was to plot them on semi-logarithmic graph paper. It can be shown that the air change rate in an enclosed space during a selected interval is directly proportional to the natural logarithm of the ratio of the concentration of the tracer gas at the beginning and end of the time interval, if the conditions remain constant. Thus, a constant infiltration rate would be represented by a straight line on semi-logarithmic graph paper.

The decay rate of the tracer gas at each station of observation during the twenty-eight tests made in the ten sample houses was plotted on semi-logarithmic graph paper to obtain an average air change rate, and to reveal the steadiness of the infiltration process. These data are shown in Figures 11 to 38 at the end of the report. Each figure shows the house identification, the location of each sensing element, and the computations used to determine the air change rate at each station and for the house as a whole.

In most instances, a straight line was a good representation of the decay curve. In the few cases where a straight line was not a good approximation of the decay curve, the data for these stations were not used in determining the average value for the house. The air change rate for the entire house was computed as the sum of the products of the infiltration rates in the individual rooms, and the corresponding percentage of the total house volume represented by each room. In cases where the infiltration data for a particular room was not usable, the volume of that room was not included in the total house volume. This procedure is tantamount to assuming that the infiltration rate of a room for which the data was not available or could not be used was equal to the average infiltration rate for the rest of the house.

Table 12 is a summary of the average infiltration rate for each test and shows the average wind velocity and prevailing direction, the inside-outside temperature difference, the observed air change rate, and an air change rate

converted to a 10 mph wind velocity and an indoor-outdoor temperature difference of 40°F. The method of converting the observed values to a constant wind velocity and temperature difference will be discussed later in this report.

Table 12

Summary of Average Infiltration Rates
in Sample Houses

House Occupant	Test Number	Approx.			Observed	Air Changes per Hour	
		Avg. Wind Velocity mph	Prevailing Wind Direction	Indoor-Outdoor Temp. Diff. °F		Converted to 10 mph	Average Converted
Hardy	1	15	SW	45	0.84	0.67	
	2	15	W	45	0.77	0.62	
	3	15	WNW	48	0.77	0.60	0.63
	4	15	W	46	0.58	0.46	0.46*
Hufford	5	6	N	42	0.71	0.81	
	6	6	N	43	0.56	0.63	
	7	11	S	43	0.91	0.85	0.76
Craig	8	11	SW	27	0.51	0.58	
	9	15	SW	23	0.42	0.43	
	10	10	SSW	23	0.35	0.44	0.48
Metzger	11	13	SSW	24.5	1.13	1.22	
	12	12	SSW	20	0.85	1.03	
	13	12	SW	29	0.67	0.71	0.99
Wrigley	14	11	W	41	0.94	0.87	
	15	10	W	41.5	0.80	0.78	
	16	6	NW	44	0.79	0.85	
	17	11	N	45.5	0.96	0.86	0.84
Spann	18	6	WSW	54.5	0.55	0.53	
	19	12	WSW	49.5	0.39	0.33	
	20	8	WSW	46	0.23	0.23	0.36
Yeiter	21	6	NW	48	0.59	0.62	
	22	6	SW	50	0.42	0.43	0.53
Dieckman	23	6	NE - SW	38	0.59	0.71	
	24	6	SW	42.5	0.63	0.71	
	25	8	NW	53	0.67	0.62	0.68
Farnsley	27	11	W	46	0.50	0.51	0.51
Lunsford	28	6	NE	42.5	0.58	0.65	
	30	8	W	63.5	0.81	0.66	0.66

* Closed exhaust vents in kitchen and bathroom.

The average wind velocities that prevailed during the air infiltration tests ranged from 6 to 15 mph, and the inside-outside temperature differences were between 21° and 53°F. This variation in conditions made it difficult to correlate the air change rate with the actual air tightness of the houses. Not enough tests were made with any one house to evaluate directly the effects of wind velocity and temperature difference on the infiltration rate so a direct comparison could be made between houses at a selected climatic condition.

An empirical formula was used, therefore, to convert the observed infiltration rates to a uniform condition of wind velocity and temperature difference that was near to the average of the observed test conditions. Published information³/₄ on infiltration measurements in two test houses at the University of Illinois indicated that the air change rate in each was directly proportional to the indoor-outdoor temperature difference and to the wind velocity, and that the infiltration rate with no wind and no indoor-outdoor temperature difference ranged from 0.12 to 0.18 air change. The University of Illinois data further showed that an increase in wind velocity of 1 mph was equivalent to an increase of two or four degrees F in temperature difference in its effect on the infiltration rate. Thus, an equation of the form of equation (1) can be used to approximate the effect of wind and temperature difference on the air change rate.

$$A.C. = K (0.1 + 0.03W + 0.01T) \quad (1)$$

where A.C. = hourly air change rate

W = wind velocity, mph

T = inside-outside temperature
difference, °F

K = a constant depending on the air
tightness and height of the
building.

³/ Bahnfleth, D. R., et al, "Measurement of Infiltration into Residences," Part I, Transactions, American Society of Heating and Air Conditioning Engineers, Vol. 63, 1957.

⁴/ Same as above, Part II.

A wind velocity of 10 mph and a temperature difference of 40°F were used as a basis for comparing the infiltration rate of the several houses since it approximated the mean of the observed conditions. Thus, the computed air change rate (A.C.') at this selected condition could be determined by equation (2).

$$A.C.' = \frac{0.1 + (0.03 \times 10) + (0.01 \times 40)}{0.1 + 0.03W + 0.01T} \times A.C. \quad (2)$$

where, A.C., W, and T were the observed values in any given test.

Table 12 shows the air change rate for each test converted by equation (2) to a wind velocity of 10 mph and a temperature difference of 40°F. The table also shows the average converted value for all tests in each house. These converted values should be considered as approximate values because the absolute and relative values of the constants in equation (1) probably vary from house to house.

Table 13 summarizes the converted air change rates in relation to the type of building construction and foundation, and building height. It shows that the infiltration rate ranged from 0.36 to 0.99 air change under the same conditions. Since only one house in each category was tested, conclusions should not be drawn about categorical differences in air tightness of the different types of houses. The measured air infiltration rates of the two test houses 3/4 at the University of Illinois for these same wind and temperature conditions was 0.40 for a two-story brick veneer house over a basement and 0.58 for a single-story frame house over a basement.

Table 13 shows two values for the converted air change rate of the Hardy house. The first value, 0.63, was the average of three tests made with the exhaust vents in the kitchen and bathroom open, whereas the second value, 0.46, was obtained with these vents closed. Since the volume of the Hardy house was 9,760 cubic feet, it appears that these two vents produced a combined ventilation of about 1,660 cubic feet per hour.

Table 13

Air Change Rates of Residences, Converted to
10 mph Wind Velocity and 40°F Temperature Gradient

<u>Type of Foundation</u>	<u>Wall Material</u>	<u>Number of Stories</u>	
		<u>One</u>	<u>Two</u>
Basement	Stone	0.36	
	Brick	0.48	0.51
	Frame	0.76	0.99
Crawl space	Brick	(0.63)(0.46)*	
	Frame	0.53	0.68
Slab-on-grade	Brick	0.66	

* Closed exhaust vents in kitchen and bathroom.

The air infiltration of the buildings was also calculated using the crack method as outlined in the ASHRAE "Guide," 38th edition, 1960. For the purpose of this computation, it was assumed that all windows were weatherstripped, and a wind velocity of 15 mph was selected. According to the "Guide," the infiltration rate of 24 cubic feet per hour per foot of crack length for single double-hung wood sash windows was halved for double windows, and the air flow rate for doors was selected at 55 cubic feet per hour per foot perimeter. The value computed by this method for each of the houses is shown in the third column of Table 14. The last two columns in the table show the average values of observed infiltration rates and of these rates converted to a wind velocity of 10 mph and an inside-outside temperature difference of 40°F.

It will be noted that there is a better than ± 10 percent agreement between the infiltration rates calculated by the crack method and the converted values on seven of the ten houses studied even though the infiltration computation by the crack method was based on a 15 mph wind and does not take temperature difference into account as a variable. The Spann residence shows a computed crack length infiltration rate 50 percent higher than that converted from the test results, and the infiltration of the Dieckman residence as calculated by the crack method was approximately 30 percent lower than the corresponding converted value.

Table 14

Comparison of Air Change Rates Computed
by the Crack Method and Average Observed Values

<u>House Occupant</u>	<u>Description of Building</u>	<u>Computed by Crack Method for 15 mph Wind</u>	<u>Observed, Actual</u>	<u>Converted from Observed Data to 10 mph 40°F</u>
Hardy	1-story Brick, crawl space	0.59	0.74	0.59
Hufford	1-story Frame, basement	0.70	0.73	0.76
Craig	1-story Brick, basement	0.53	0.43	0.48
Metzger	2-story Frame, basement	0.94	0.88	0.99
Wrigley	2-story Frame, basement	0.75	0.87	0.84
Spann	1-story Stone, basement	0.54	0.39	0.36
Yeiter	1-story Frame, crawl space	0.49	0.51	0.53
Dieckman	2-story Frame, crawl space	0.47	0.68	0.68
Farnsley	2-story Brick, basement	0.55	0.50	0.51
Lunsford	1-story Brick, on slab	0.70	0.70	0.66

Table 1

E. Hardy Residence, Rt. 3, Greenfield

1-Story Brick House over Crawl Space
20 years old, Heated Floor Area 1220 ft²

Walls:

4" Brick
3 5/8" Studs
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
.002" Vapor Barrier

Ceiling (open):

1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
2" x 6" Joists

Floor:

1" x 6" and 8" Subflooring
3/8" Plywood, with Vinyl Tile over
.002" Vapor Barrier

Insulation:

Walls - Double-Blown Cellulose Fiber
Ceiling - Loose Cellulose Fiber
Floor - 3 1/2" Cellulose Fiber Batts

Roof:

Pitch - 5'-2"/16'-6"
Height - 8'-0"
Overhang - 18"
Louvers - Twelve, 4" x 12"

Basement:

None (crawl space)

Windows:

Double-hung, wood sash, with aluminum storm, caulked,
sealed double glass in living room

Doors:

Side (to garage) - Solid wood
Rear - Wood with 1/2 glass, with storm
Front - Wood, with storm

Heating:

Electric baseboard

Table 2

T. E. Hufford Residence, Rt. 1, Charlottesville

1-Story Frame House over Basement
30 years old, Heated Floor Area 1229 ft²

Walls:

1/2" Wood Lap Siding
Building Paper
1" Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
1" Plaster and Wood Lath

Ceiling:

1" Plaster and Wood Lath
2" x 6" Joists
1" Wood Flooring (except over living room)

Floor:

1" Pine Finish (no subflooring)
2" x 6" Joists

Insulation:

Walls - 4" Rock Wool
Ceiling - 4" Rock Wool, 2" Cellulose Fiber
Floor - None

Roof:

Pitch - 4/12
Louvers - One, 4" x 12", two, 4" x 8"

Basement:

Full, except under porch, no insulation or vapor barrier;
walls are cement block to ground level with brick above
to house frame; unheated

Windows:

Wood sash, storm windows in bedroom 2 and center sash of
bedroom 1 only, in attic there are 3 windows (front,
rear, north)

Doors:

Wood with 1/2 glass and storm to front and carport

Heating:

Electric baseboard

Table 3

J. S. Craig Residence, RR. 1, Wabash

1-Story Brick with Basement and Crawl Space
New House, Heated Floor Area 1510 ft²

Walls:

4" Brick Veneer
1" Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
Vapor Barrier

Ceiling:

1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
2" x 6" Joists
Vapor Barrier

Floor:

5/8" Finish Flooring
3/4" Subflooring
2" x 10" Joists
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath

Insulation:

Walls - 4" Cellulose Fiber
Ceiling - 6" Cellulose Fiber
Floor - 2" Batts (Alfol)

Roof:

Pitch - 4/12
Overhang - 24"
Eave Vents - Twelve, 8" x 12"
Exhaust Fans

Basement:

Under kitchen, living room, dining room; plastered ceiling, cement block walls, concrete floor; rest is crawl space open to basement

Windows:

Casement with storm in bedroom 1, dining room, kitchen, casement with storm in baths, bedroom 2, sealed double glass in living room, four 12" x 15" single pane in basement

Doors:

Combination aluminum in front; all others solid wood

Heating:

Electric ceiling cable

Glass doors in fireplace

Table 4

D. A. Metzger Residence, RR. 3, N. Manchester, Ind.

2-Story Frame with Cinder Block Basement
20 years old, Heated Floor Area 1230 ft²

Walls:

1/4" Asbestos Shingles
Building Paper
1" Wood Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
1/2" Plaster and Lath

Ceiling (open):

1st Floor (8')
1/2" Plaster and Lath
2" x 6" Joists
1" Subflooring

2nd Floor (7 1/2')
1/2" Plaster and Lath
2" x 6" Joists

Floor:

1/2" Finish (Pine)
1/2" Subflooring (Pine)
2" x 8" Joists

Insulation:

Walls - 3 5/8" Blown Cellulose Fiber
Ceiling - 6" Blown Cellulose Fiber
Floor - 2" Batts (Alfol), "U" is .04

Roof:

Pitch - 4/12
Overhang - 24"
Louvers - Four, 4" x 12"

Basement:

Under kitchen and bedroom 1, other area is crawl space,
walls are concrete block with two 18" x 24" casement
windows; crawl space opens into basement; unheated

Windows:

Wood sash, no storm in living room towards porch; wood
sash with storm on all other rooms

Doors:

Wood with 1/2 glass

Heating:

Electric baseboard

Exhaust fans in bathroom and kitchen

Table 5

R. Wrigley Residence, Rt. 3, Warsaw, Ind.

2-Story Frame House over Basement
40 years old, Heated Floor Area, 1510 ft²

Walls:

1/4" Asbestos Siding
5/8" Wood Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
1" Plaster and Lath

Ceiling (open):

1st Floor (9')
1" Plaster and Lath
2" x 6" Joists
1" Flooring

2nd Floor (8')
1" Plaster and Lath
2" x 6" Joists

Floor:

1" Flooring
1/2" Subflooring
2" x 8" Joists

Insulation:

Walls - 3 5/8" Blown Cellulose Fiber
Ceiling - 6" Blown Cellulose Fiber, and 4" Rock Wool,
 10 years old
Floor - 3 5/8" Cellulose Fiber Batts

Roof (Asbestos Shingles):

Pitch - 1/2
Overhang - 18"
Louvers - Six, 10" x 10"
Exhaust Fans - 1 in kitchen

Basement:

Full, except for crawl space under porches and office;
poured cement walls, five 12" x 18" casement windows;
unheated

Windows:

Wood, single pane, with storm windows on first floor only

Doors:

Wood, with storm door on west entrance

Heating:

Electric baseboard

Table 6

M. Spann Residence, RR. 1, Pierceton

1-Story Stone Veneer over Basement
New House, Heated Floor Area 1658 ft²

Walls:

4" Stone Veneer
1" Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath

Ceiling:

1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
2" x 8" Joists

Floor:

1/2" Pine Finish
1/2" Subflooring (Pine)
2" x 10" Joists

Insulation:

Walls - 3 1/2" Foil Backed Fiber Glass
Ceiling - 6" Fiber Glass, 4" Cellulose Fiber
Floor - 3 1/2" Foil Backed Fiber Glass

Roof (Wood Shingles):

Pitch - 4 1/2 /12
Overhang - 2'-6"
Louvers - Two, 12" x 24"

Basement:

12" Cement Block Walls
8" Poured Cement Floor
Height - 7 1/2'

Windows:

Sealed double glass throughout

Doors:

Solid wood with storm on east side, sliding double
glass door on west side, 2 wood with 1/2 glass
and storm on south side

Heating:

Electric cable (ceiling panel)

Exhaust fans in kitchen and bathroom

Table 7

B. Yeiter Residence, RR. 4, Warsaw

1-Story Frame House over Crawl Space
New House, Heated Floor Area 1130 ft²

Walls:

1/2" Redwood Cap Siding
Aluminum Foil
1" Ship Lap Siding (Pine)
2" x 4" Studs
Vapor Barrier
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath

Ceiling:

1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
2" x 6" Joists
Height - 7'-6"

Floor:

Tile
1/4" Building Board Underlayment
1" Ship Lap (Pine)
2" x 10" Joists
Vapor Barrier

Insulation:

Walls - 3 5/8" Cellulose Fiber
Ceiling - 6" Cellulose Fiber
Floor - 3" Rock Wool

Roof (Asphalt Shingles):

Pitch - 4/12
Overhang - 2¹/₂"
Louvers - Two, 270 sq in.

Basement:

None; crawl space, 2' high open crawl space with vapor barrier on ground

Windows:

Sealed double glass throughout

Doors:

Solid wood with storm

Heating:

Electric baseboard

Table 8

W. Dieckman Residence, RR., Greenburg, Ind.

2-Story Frame House over Crawl Space
46 years old, Heated Floor Area 1696 ft²

Walls:

1/2" Wood Lap Siding
3/4" Wood Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
1" Plaster and Wood Lath

Ceiling:

1st Floor (9'4")
1" Plaster and Wood Lath
2" x 6" Joists
1" Flooring

2nd Floor (7'-6")
1" Plaster and Wood Lath
2" x 6" Joists

Floor:

1/2" Oak Finish
1/2" Subflooring
2" x 10" Joists

Insulation:

Walls - 3 5/8" Blown Cellulose Fiber
Ceiling - 6" Blown Cellulose Fiber
Floor - None, and none between 1st and 2nd floors

Roof:

Pitch - 1/2
Louvers - Two, 6" x 6", and three, 12" x 12"

Basement:

None (crawl space), 18" clearance; two, 12" x 24"
openings

Windows:

Wood sash with storm in heated spaces, except there
is no storm on first floor closet window

Doors:

Wood with 1/2 glass, with aluminum storm on all except
door to unheated porch which is an aluminum storm door

Heating:

Baseboard

No vapor barrier; exhaust fan in kitchen

Table 9

C. Farnsley Residence, Georgetown, Ind.

2-Story Brick House over Basement
New House, Heated Floor Area 2490 ft²

Walls:

4" Brick Veneer
Building Paper
3/4" Storm Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
Vapor Barrier
3/4" Plaster and Rock Lath

Ceiling:

1st Floor (8')
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
2" x 8" Joists
3/4" Subflooring
1/4" Masonite

2nd Floor (6 1/2')
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
2" x 6" Joists

Floor:

1/4" Masonite
3/4" Subflooring (Fir)
2" x 4" Joists

Insulation:

Walls - 3 5/8" Blown Cellulose Fiber
Ceiling - 1st Floor (8'); 7 5/8" Blown Cellulose Fiber
 2nd Floor (6 1/2'); 6" Blown Cellulose Fiber
 and 3 5/8" between rafters
Floor - None

Roof:

Pitch - 8/12
Overhang - None
Louvers - Four, 72-sq-in. triangles

Windows:

Aluminum with storm

Doors:

Front - Solid wood with storm
Side - Wood with 1/2 glass, no storm

Vapor Barrier:

Placed in floor, wall and ceiling

Exhaust fan in kitchen

Table 10

R. E. Lunsford Residence, W. Campbell St., Indianapolis, Ind.

1-Story Brick Apartment over Concrete Slab
6 years old, Heated Floor Area 598 ft²

Walls:

4" Brick Veneer
1" Sheathing
2" x 4" Studs
Vapor Barrier
1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath

Ceiling:

1/2" Plaster and Rock Lath
2" x 6" Joists
Height - 8'

Floor:

5" Thick Concrete Slab

Insulation:

Floor - 1" Fiber Glass Board Perimeter Insulation
(2' down and 2' in)
Ceiling - 6" Blown Glass Fiber
Walls - 3 5/8" Fiber Glass Batts

Roof (Asphalt Shingles):

Pitch - 2/12
Overhang - 12"

Windows:

Sealed double glass

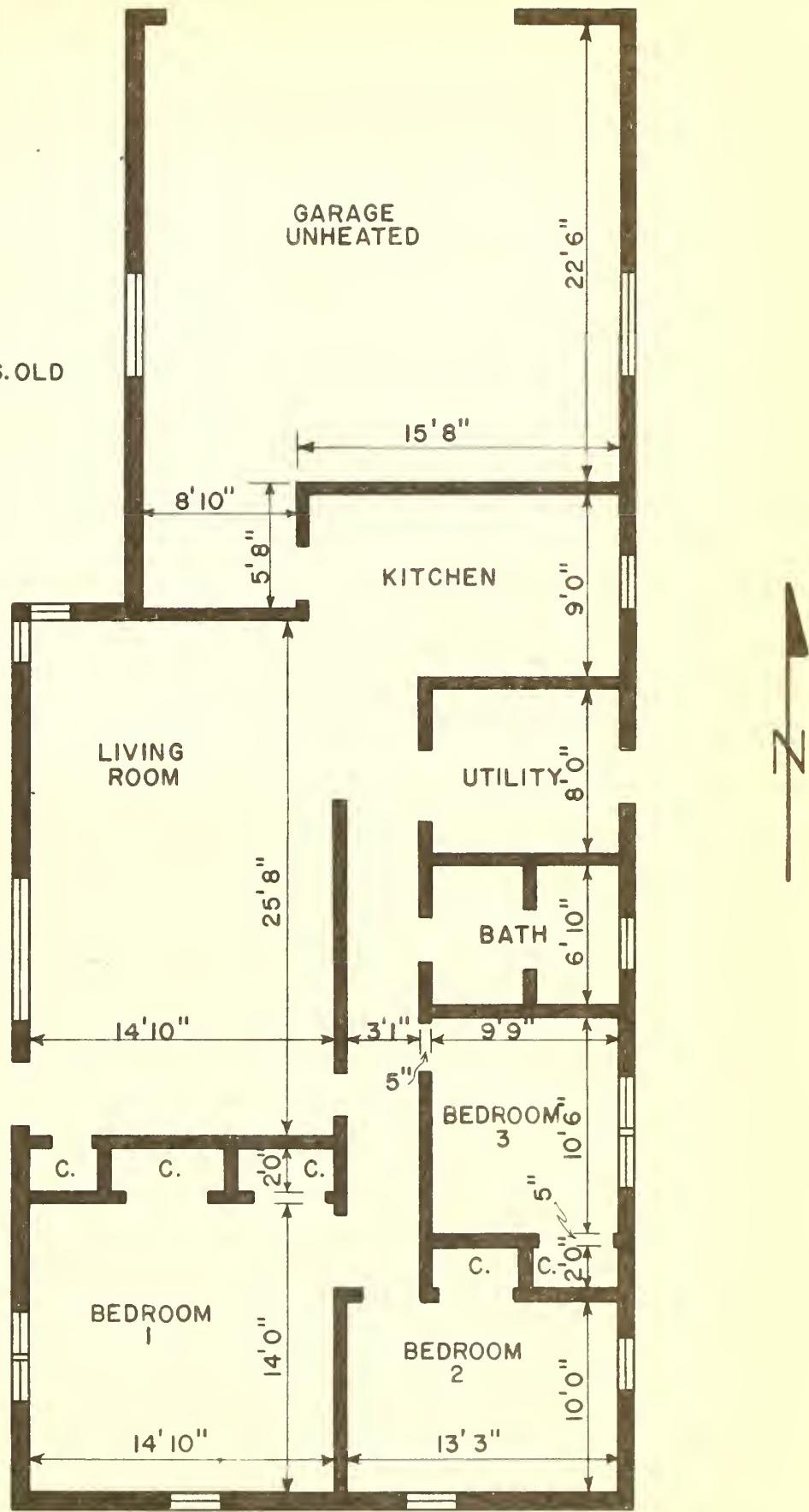
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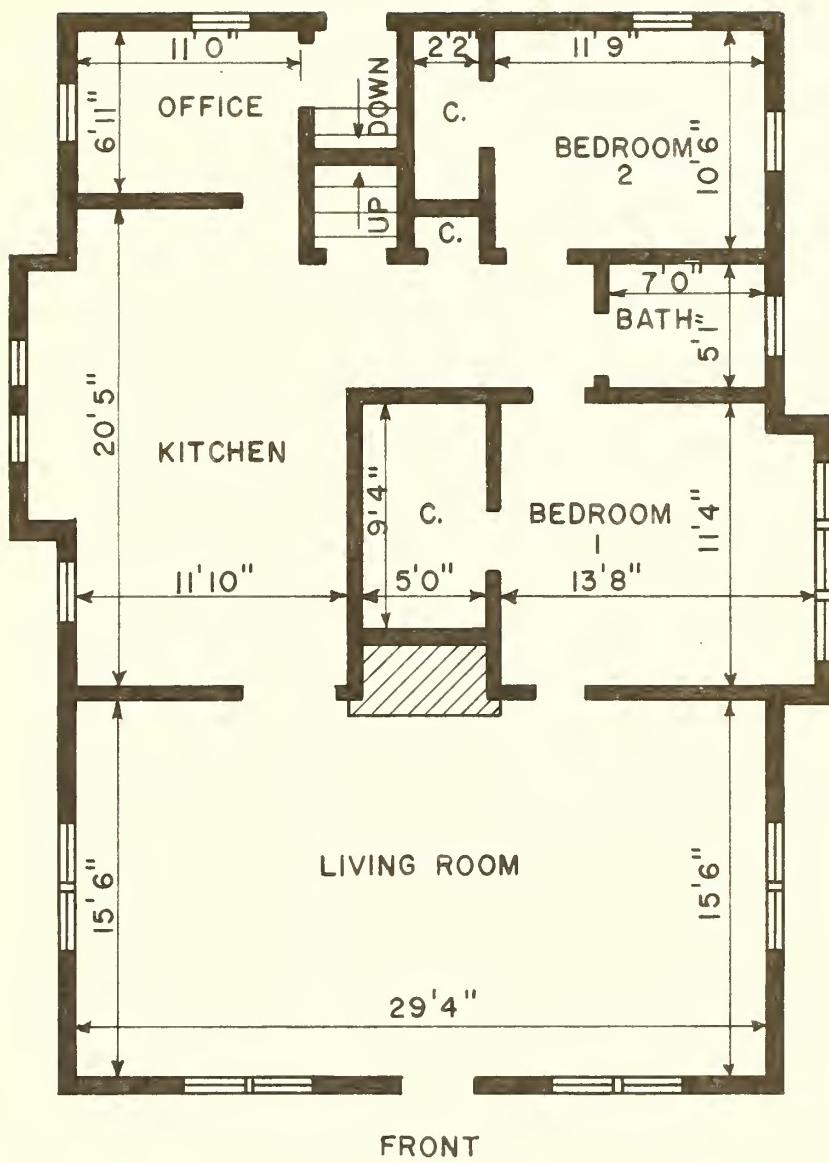
North - Wood with 1/2 glass and storm
South - Sliding, double glass



EUGENE HARDY
RT3, GREENFIELD, IND.
1 STORY BRICK OVER
CRAWL SPACE, 20 YRS. OLD

FRONT

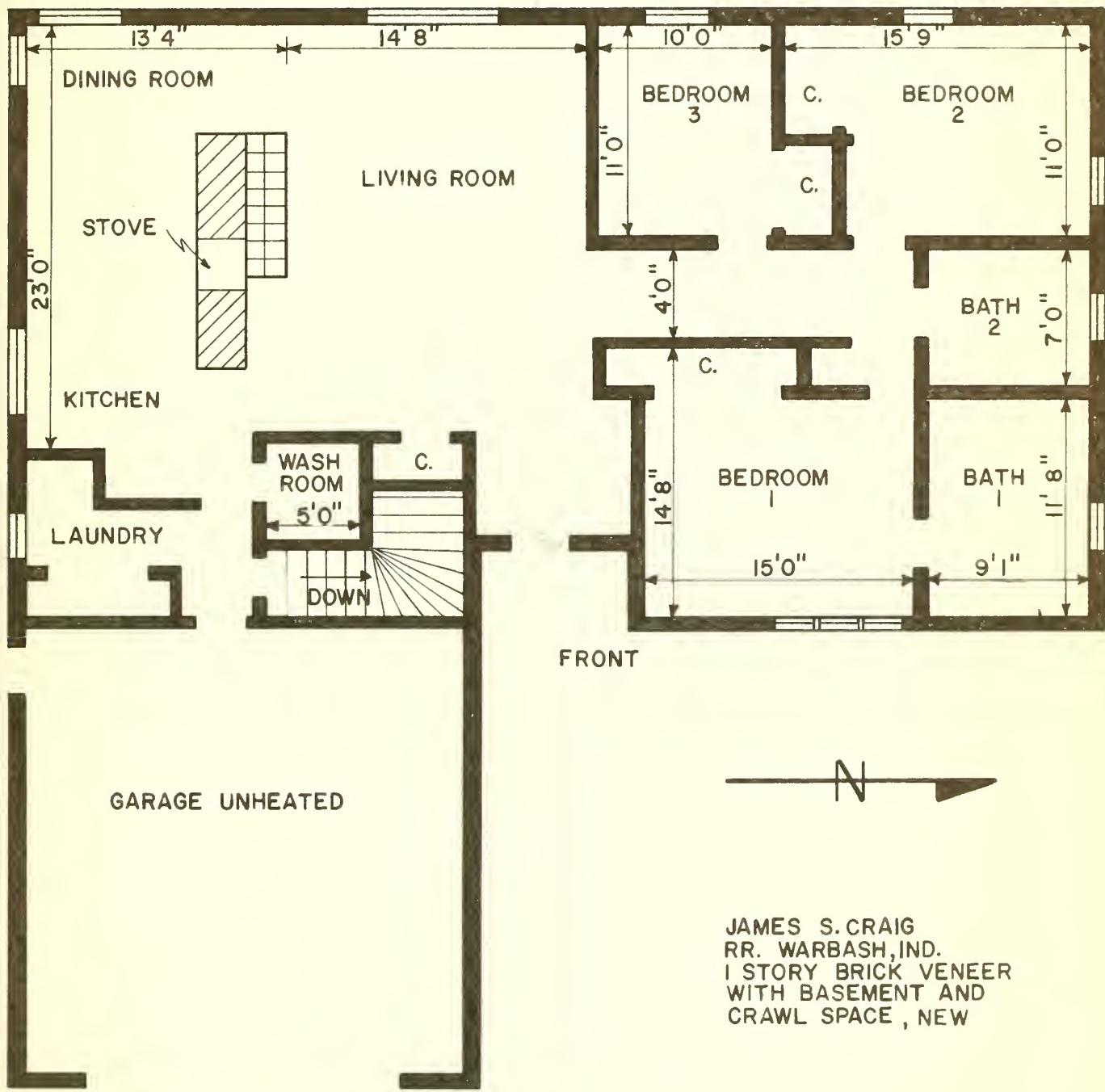




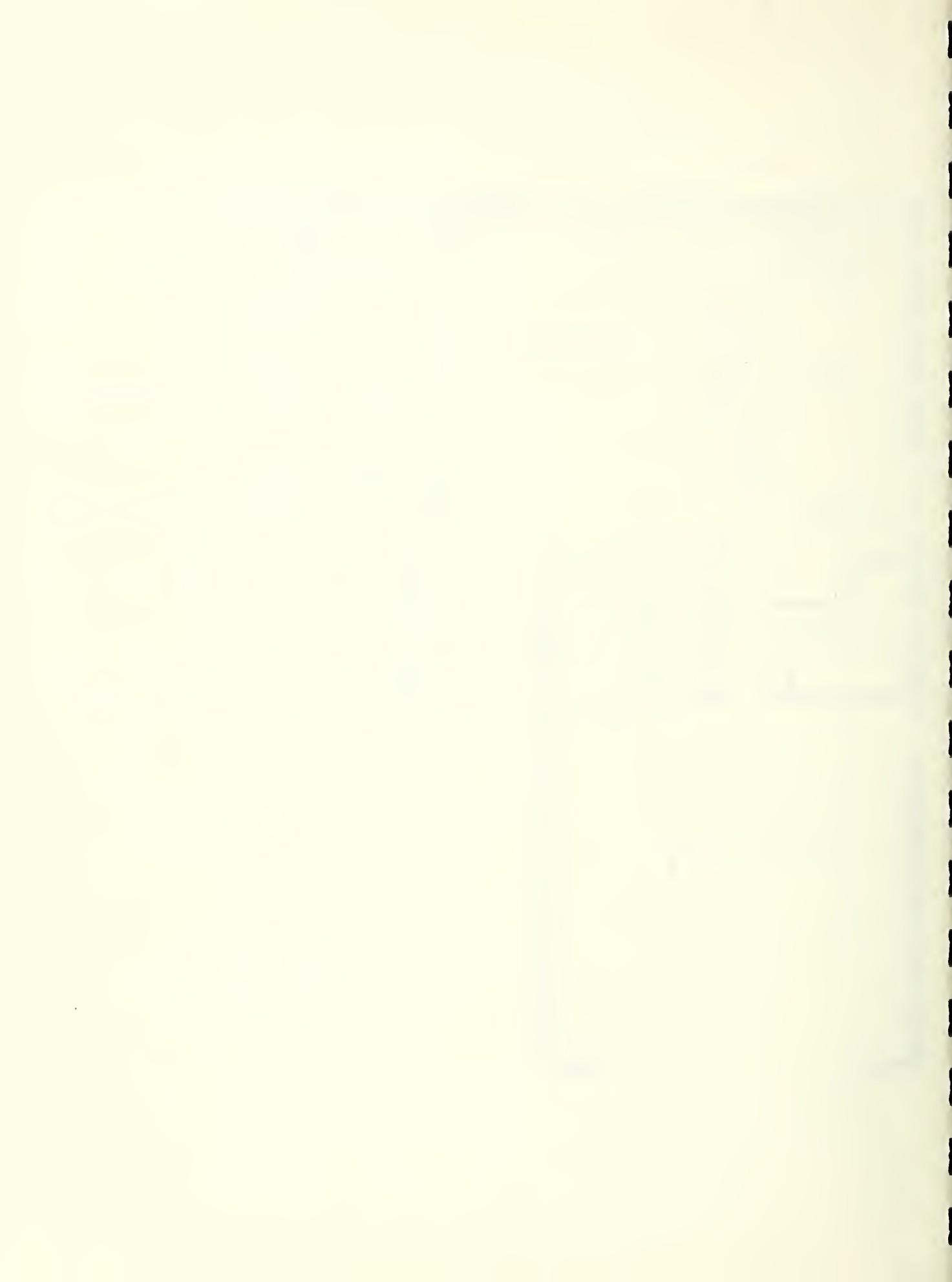
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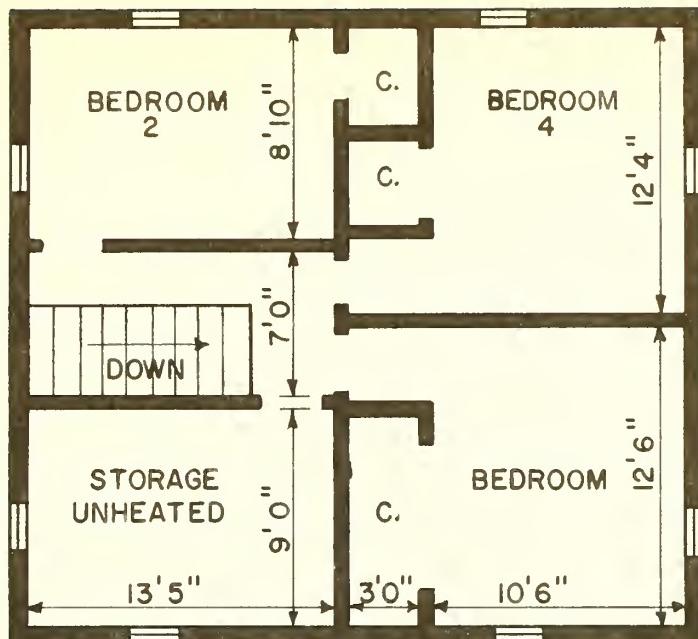


T.E. HUFFORD
RR 1, CHARLOTTESVILLE, IND.
1 STORY FRAME OVER BASEMENT,
30 YEARS OLD



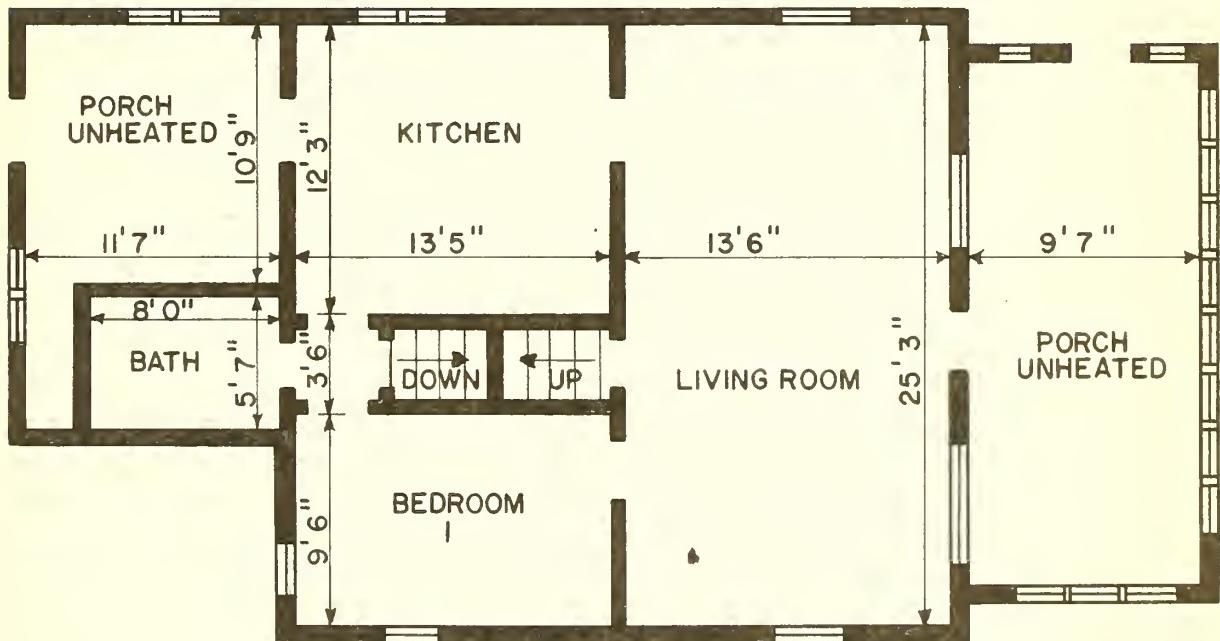
JAMES S. CRAIG
RR. WARBASH, IND.
1 STORY BRICK VENEER
WITH BASEMENT AND
CRAWL SPACE , NEW



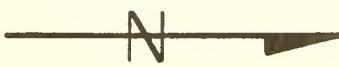


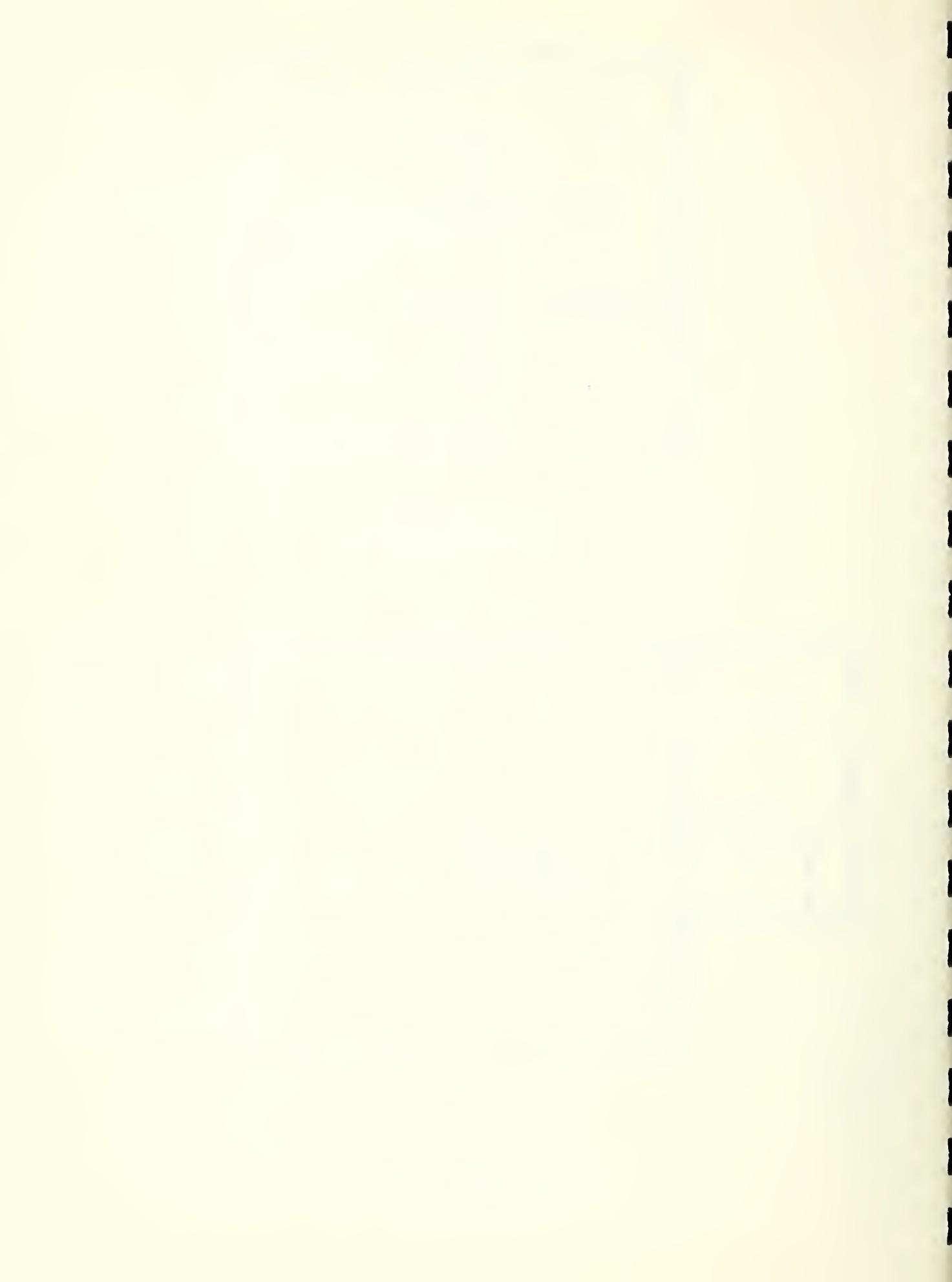
DONALD A. METZGER
RR #3, N. MANCHESTER, IND.
2 STORY FRAME OVER
BASEMENT, 20 YEARS OLD

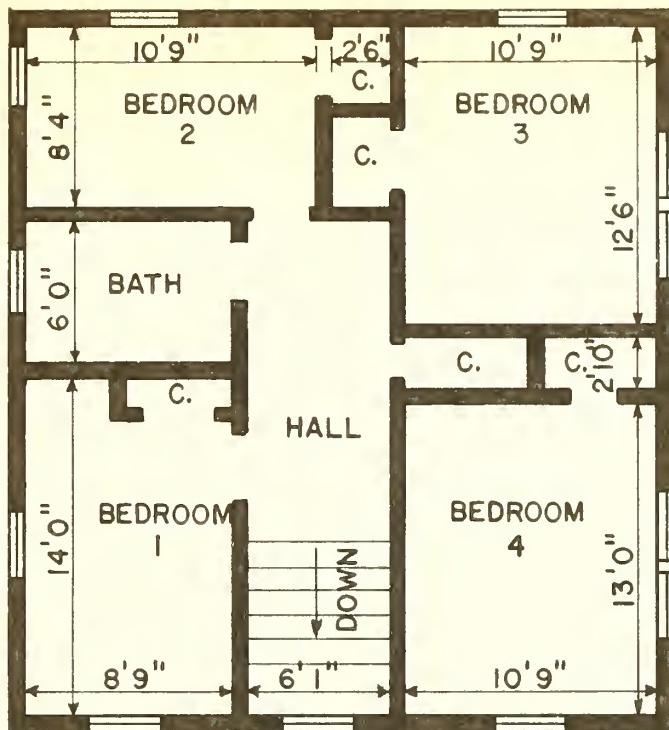
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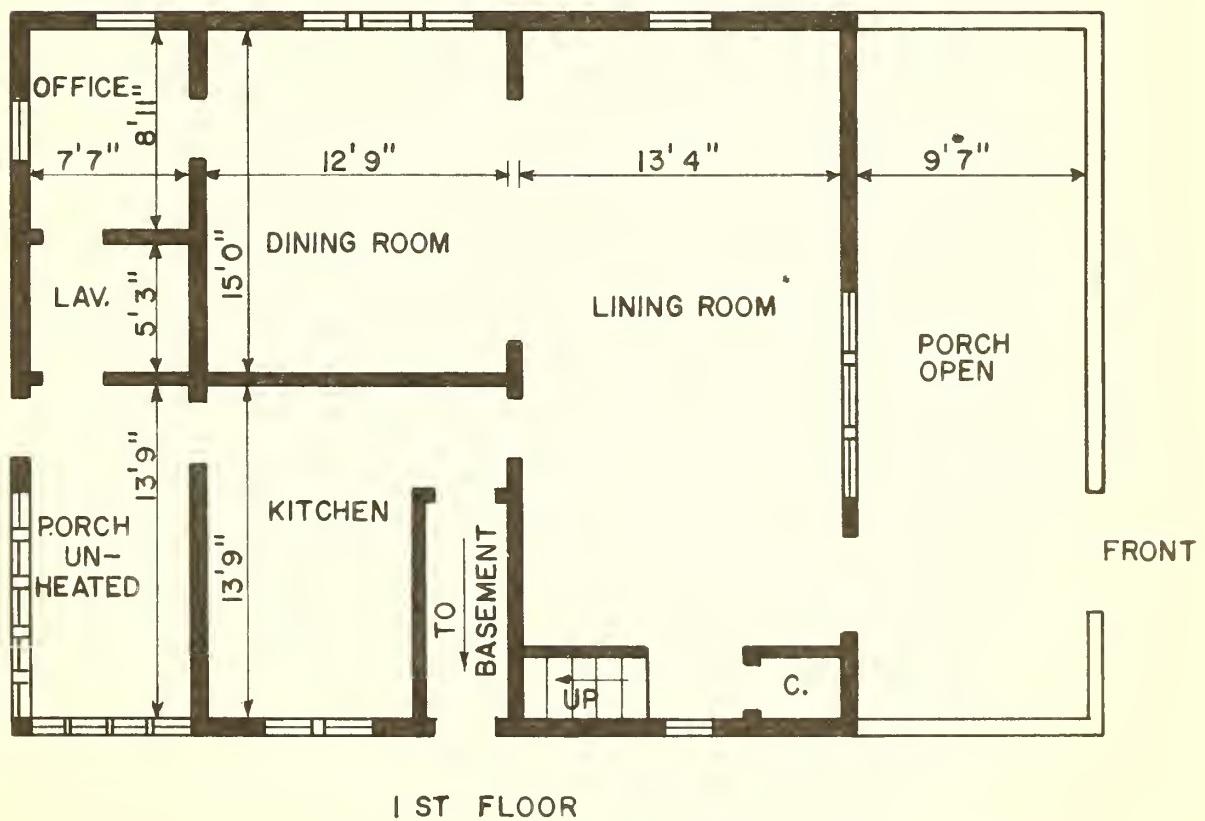
1 ST FLOOR





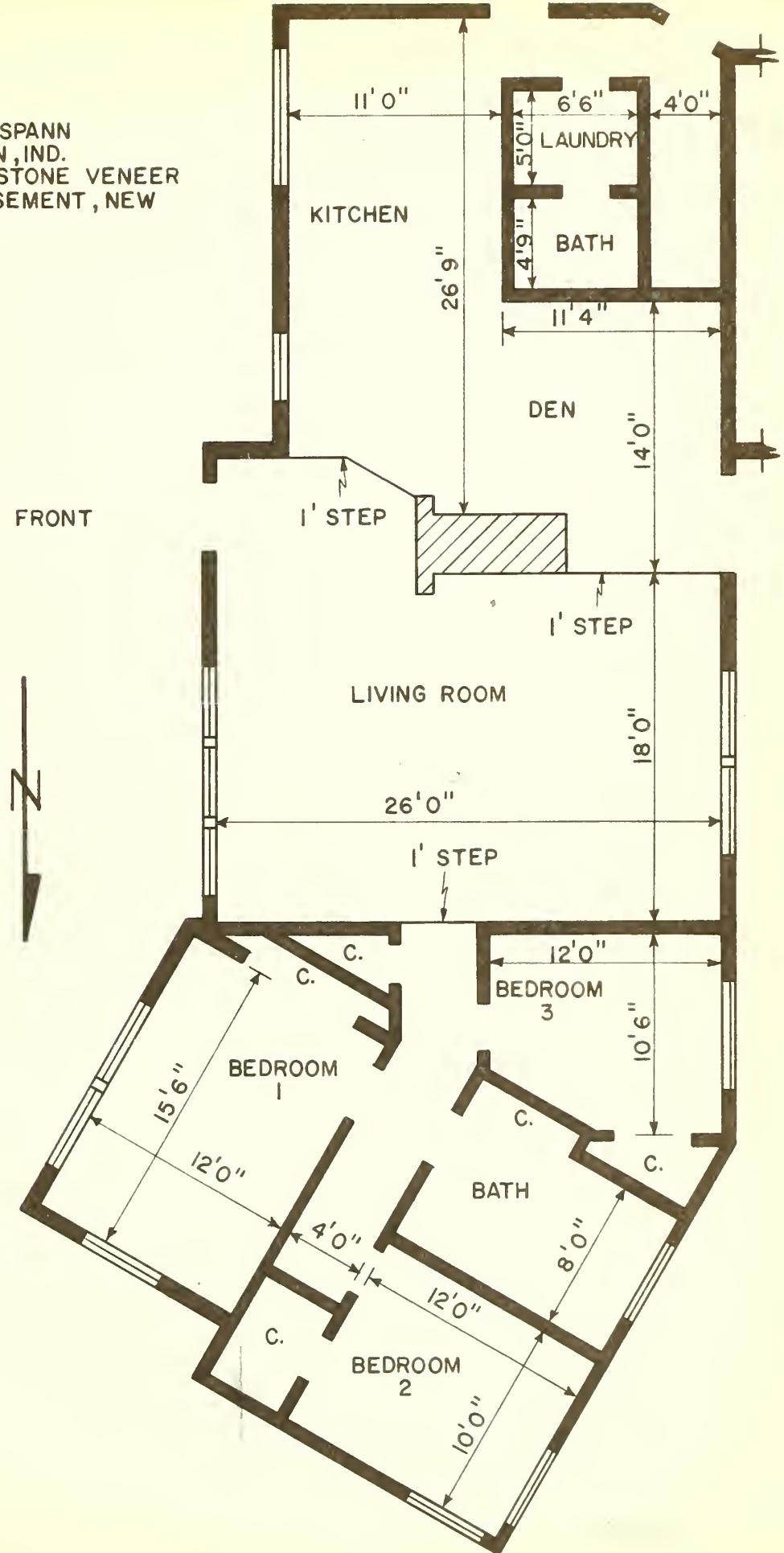


RALPH WRIGLEY
RT # 3, WARSAW IND.
2 STORY FRAME OVER
BASEMENT, 40 YEARS OLD





MAYNARD SPANN
PIERCETON, IND.
1 STORY STONE VENEER
OVER BASEMENT, NEW

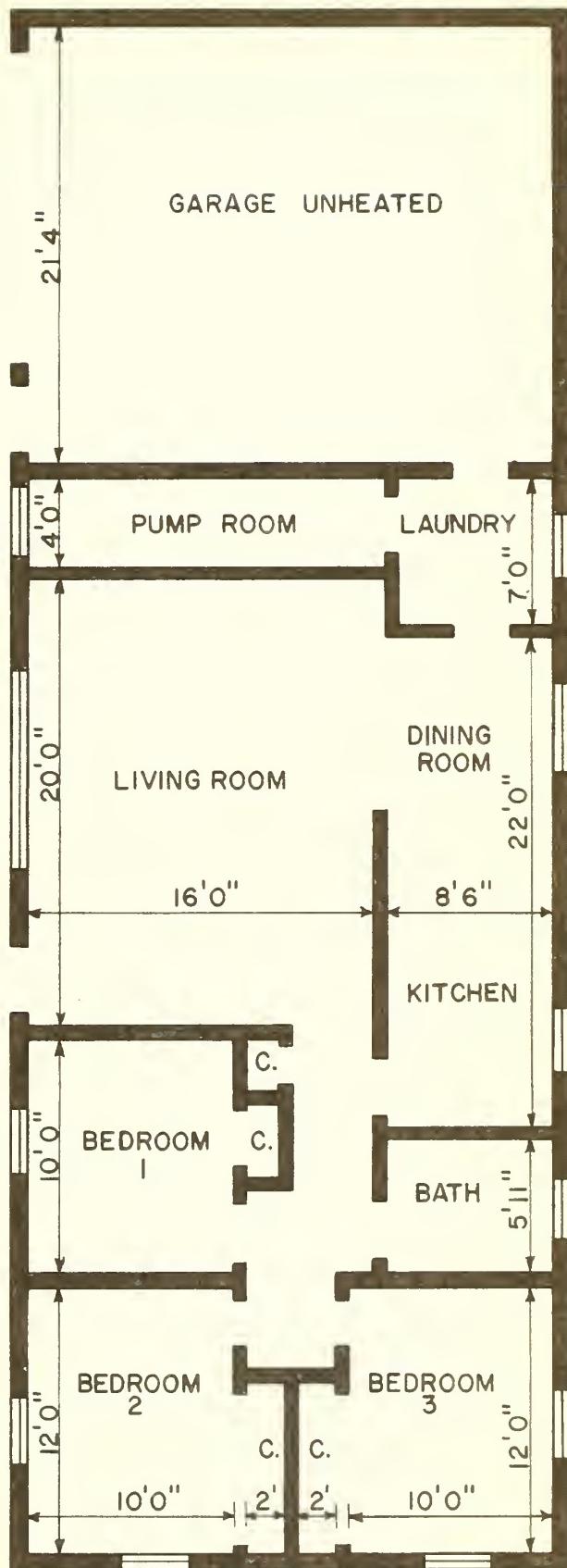




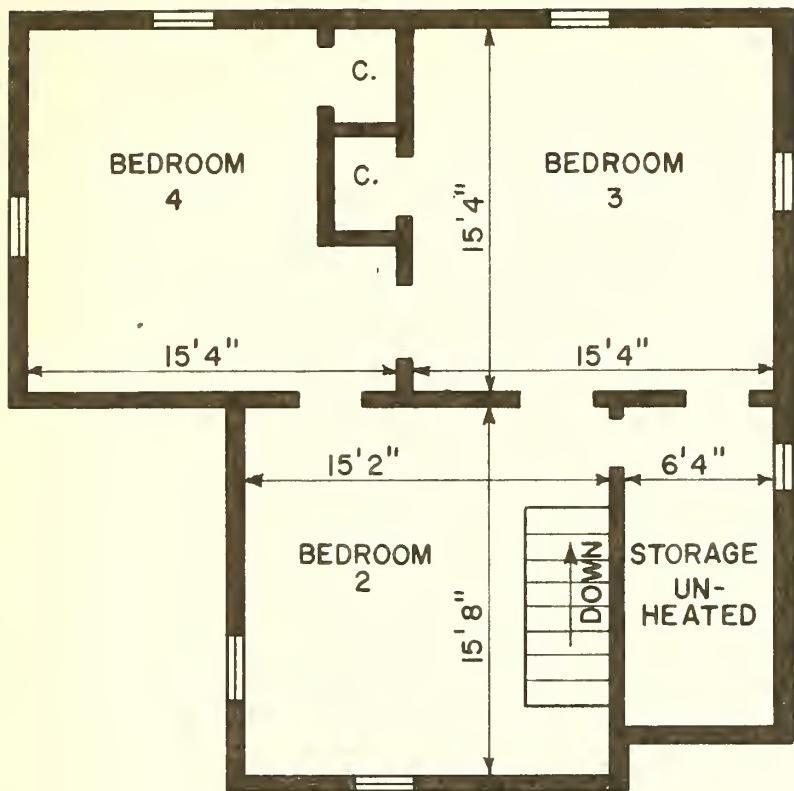


FRONT

BERYL YEITER
RR 4, WARSAW, IND.
1 STORY FRAME OVER
CRAWL SPACE , NEW



WILBUR DIECKMAN
RR, GREENBURG, IND.
2 STORY FRAME OVER
CRAWL SPACE, 46 YRS. OLD



2 ND FLOOR

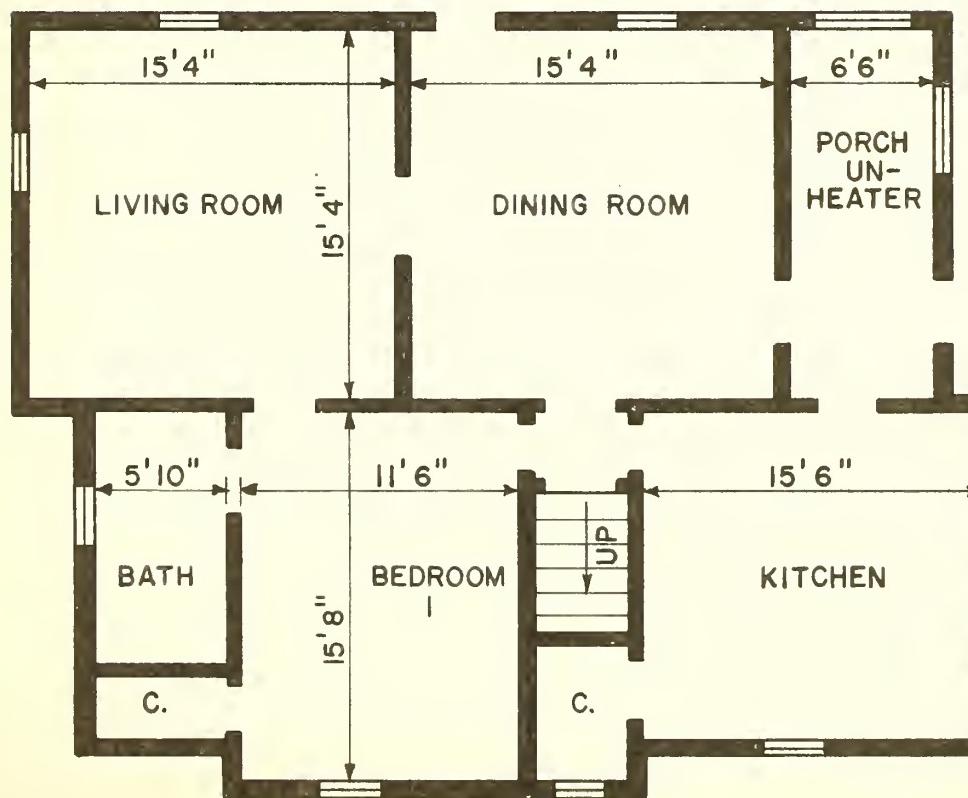
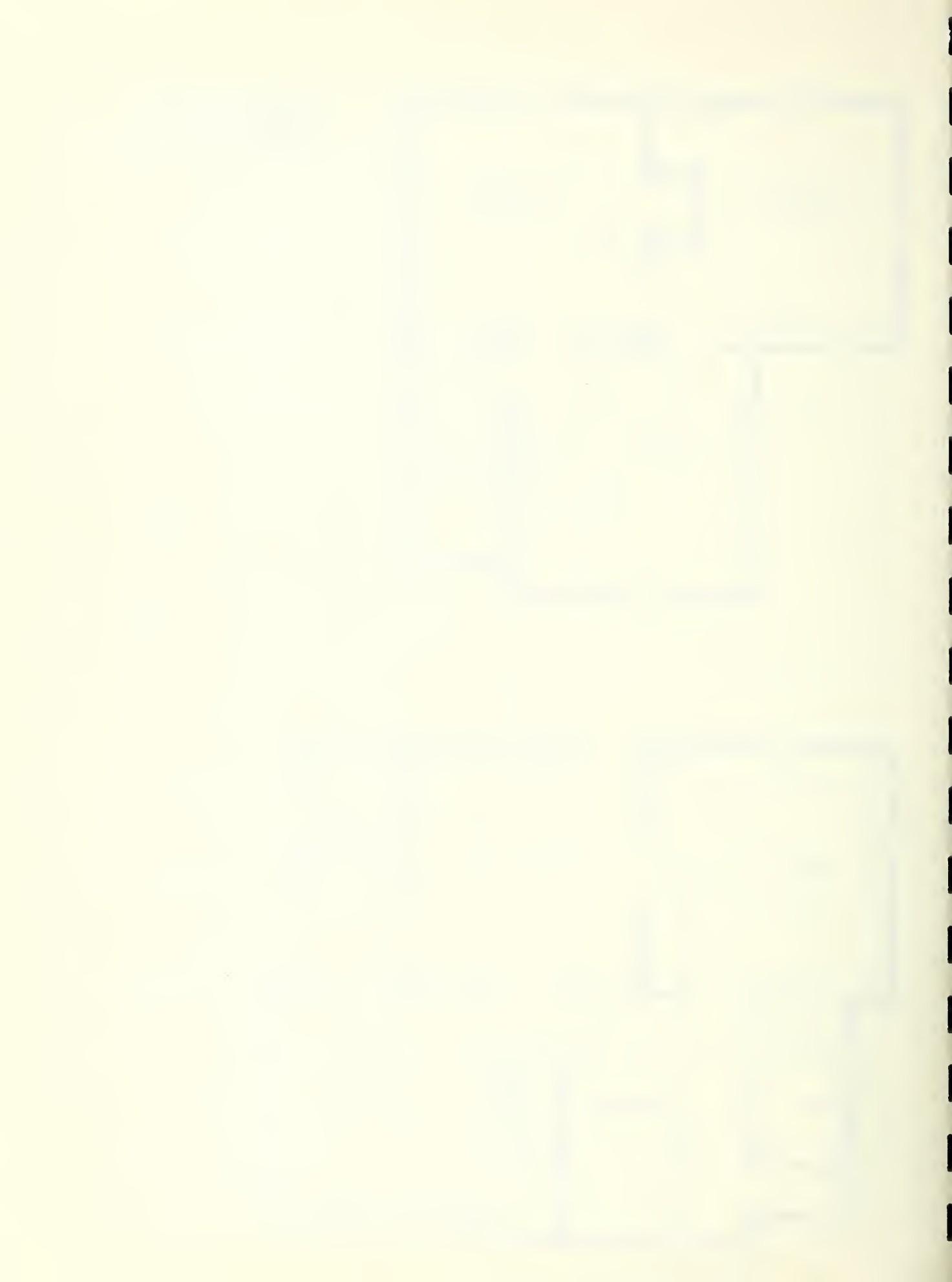
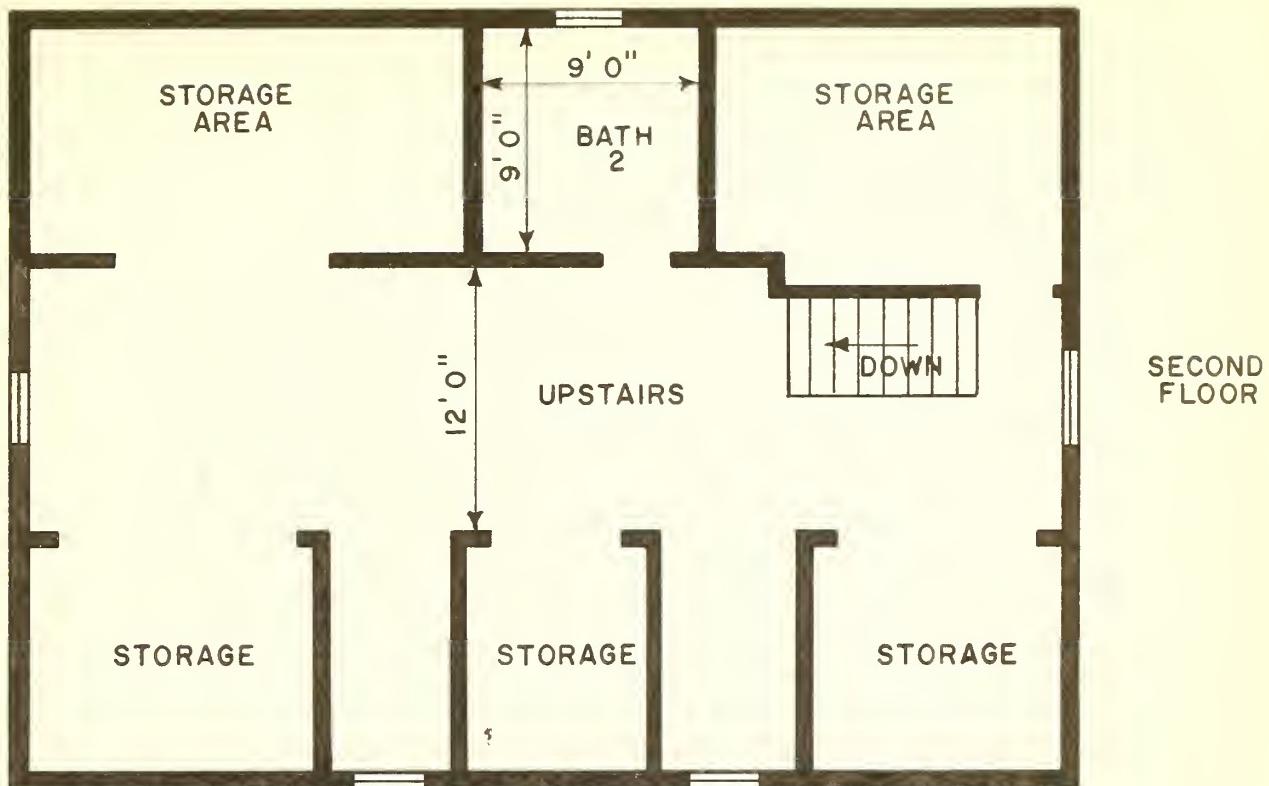
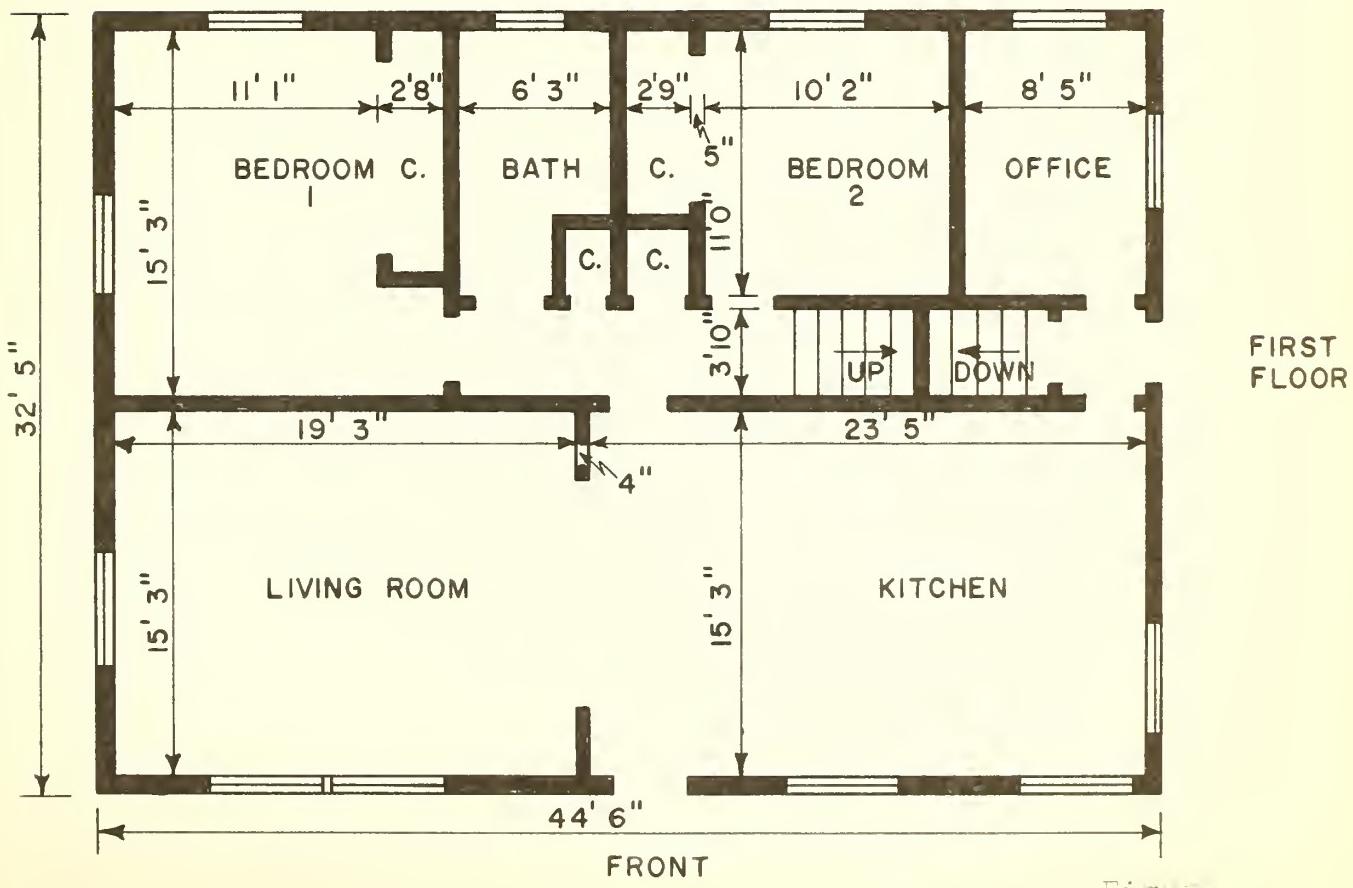


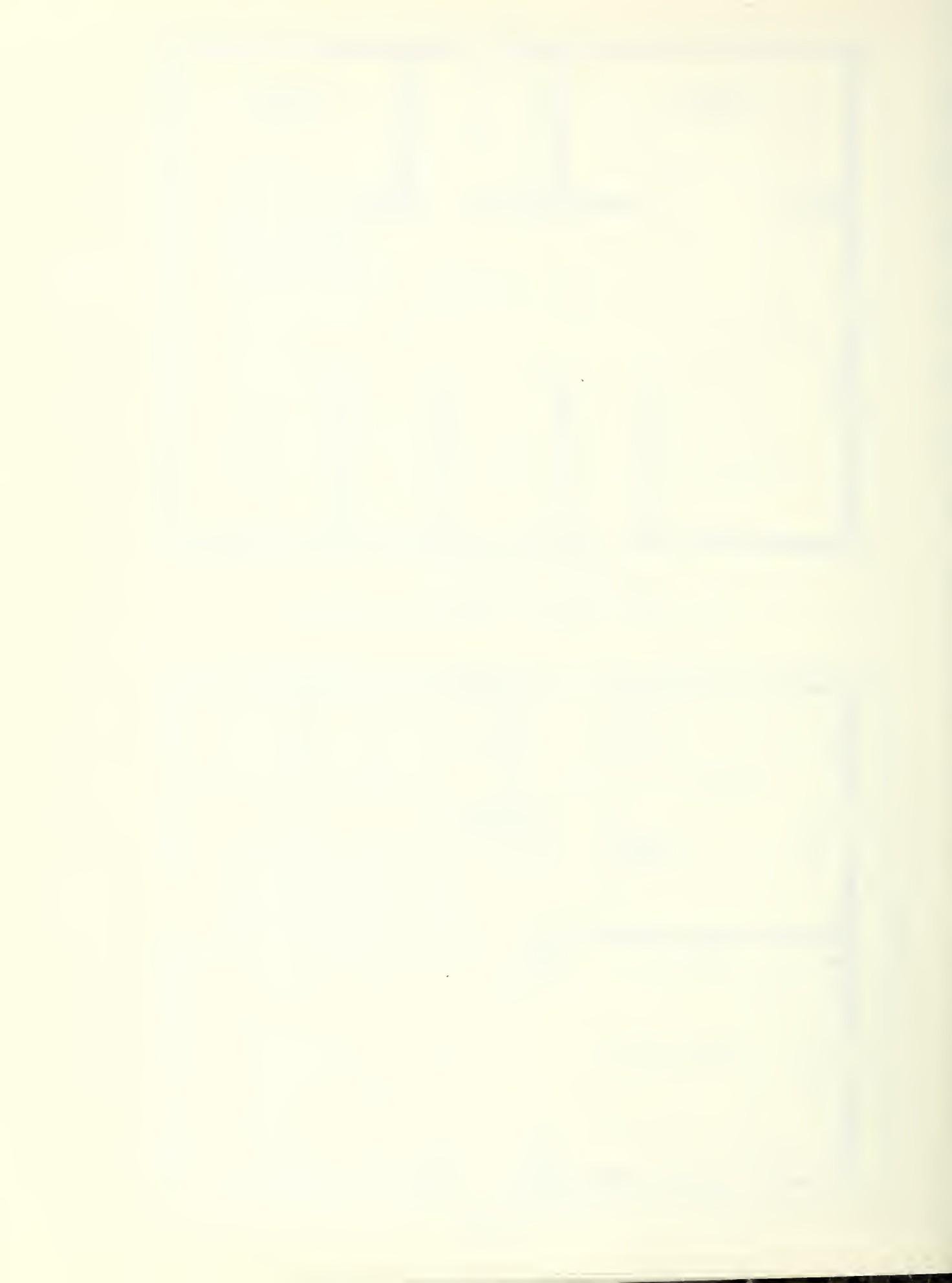
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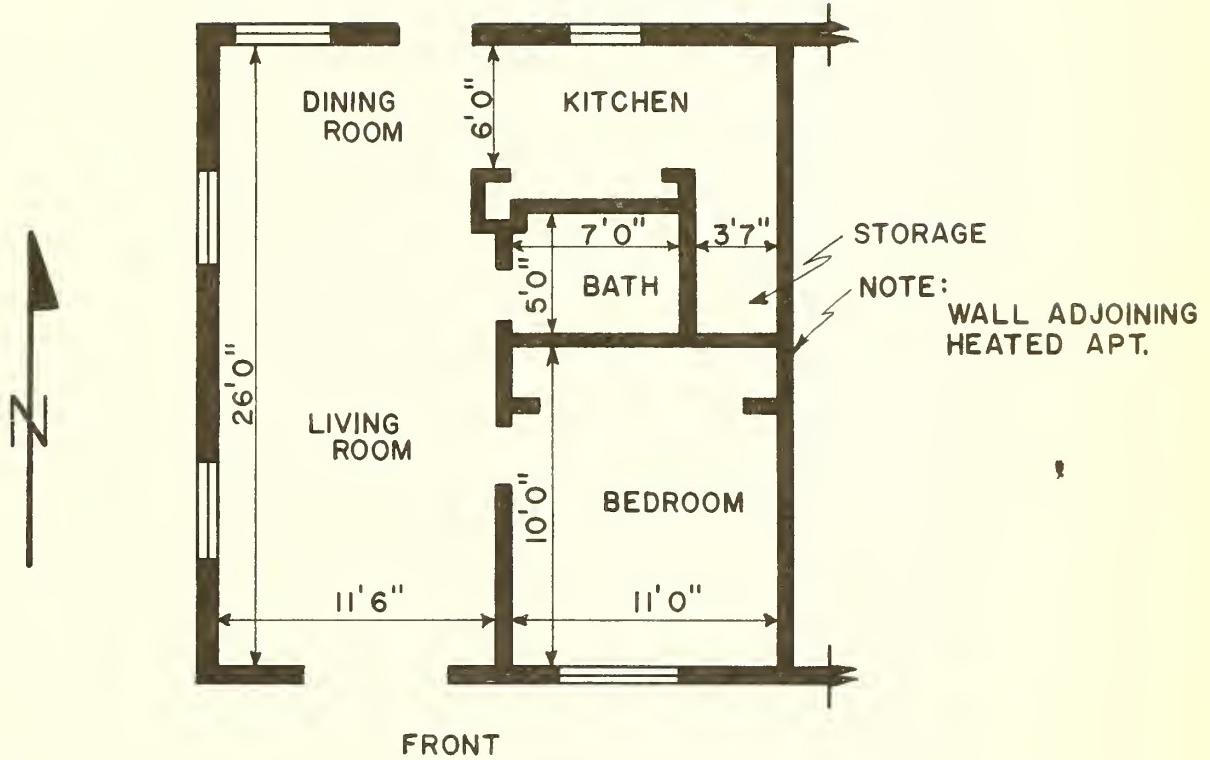




CHARLES FARNSLEY
RR2, GEORGETOWN, IND.
2 STORY BRICK OVER BASEMENT, NEW







R.E. LUNSFORD
W. CAMPBELL ST.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
1 STORY BRICK VENEER
APT. ON SLAB, 6 YRS. OLD



E. HARDY RESIDENCE, RT. 3, GREENFIELD
BRICK HOUSE OVER CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO. 1
NOV. 29, 1960

$$1 \quad B_2 \text{ LN}(93/52) = .58$$

$$2 \quad LR \text{ LN}(87/39) = .80$$

$$3 \quad B_3 \text{ LN}(83/43) = .66$$

$$4 \quad B_1 \text{ LN}(95/48) = .63$$

$$5 \quad B_1 \text{ LN}(86/35) = .90$$

$$6 \quad LR \text{ LN}(90/51) = 1.04$$

$$7 \quad UTIELN(100/58) = .54$$

	SPACE FT ²	% TOTAL	
LR	365	34.0	.31
B ₁	225	20.2	.16
B ₂	142	12.5	.07
B ₃	112	9.9	.06
BATH G ₁	5.9	.06	
UTI	18	1.6	.04
KIT	120	10.6	.14
			.84

WEIGHTED AIR
CHANGE PER HOUR

$$8 \quad BATH \text{ LN}(85/30) = 1.04$$

$$9 \quad KIT \text{ LN}(73/20) = 1.30$$

$$10 \quad LR \text{ CANIT}$$

TIME, MINUTES

Figure 11



E. HARDY RESIDENCE, RT3, GREENFIELD
BRICK HOUSE OVER CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO. 3
NOV. 29, 1960

$$1 B_1 \text{ LN} (95/58) = .49$$

$$2 LR \text{ LN} (99/46) = .77$$

$$3 E_3 \text{ LN} (89/63) = .35$$

$$4 B_1 \text{ LN} (93/51) = .60$$

5 B_1 OMIT

$$6 LR \text{ LN} (90/29) = 1.16$$

$$7 UTIC LN (87/36) = .89$$

$$8 BATH \text{ LN} (82/29) = 1.04$$

$$9 KIT LN (83/25) = 1.24$$

$$10 LR \text{ LN} (92/35) = .97$$

SPACE	FT. ²	% TOTAL
LR	385	.32
B1	229	.12
B2	142	.12
B3	112	.03
BATH	67	.06
UTIC	78	.06
KIT	120	.12
	1133	.77

WEIGHTED AIR
CHANGE PER
 HOUR

0 10 20 30 40 50 60

TIME, MINUTES

Figure 12

E. HARDY RESIDENCE , RT.3 GREENFIELD
BRICK HOUSE OVER CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO 3
NOV. 29, 1960

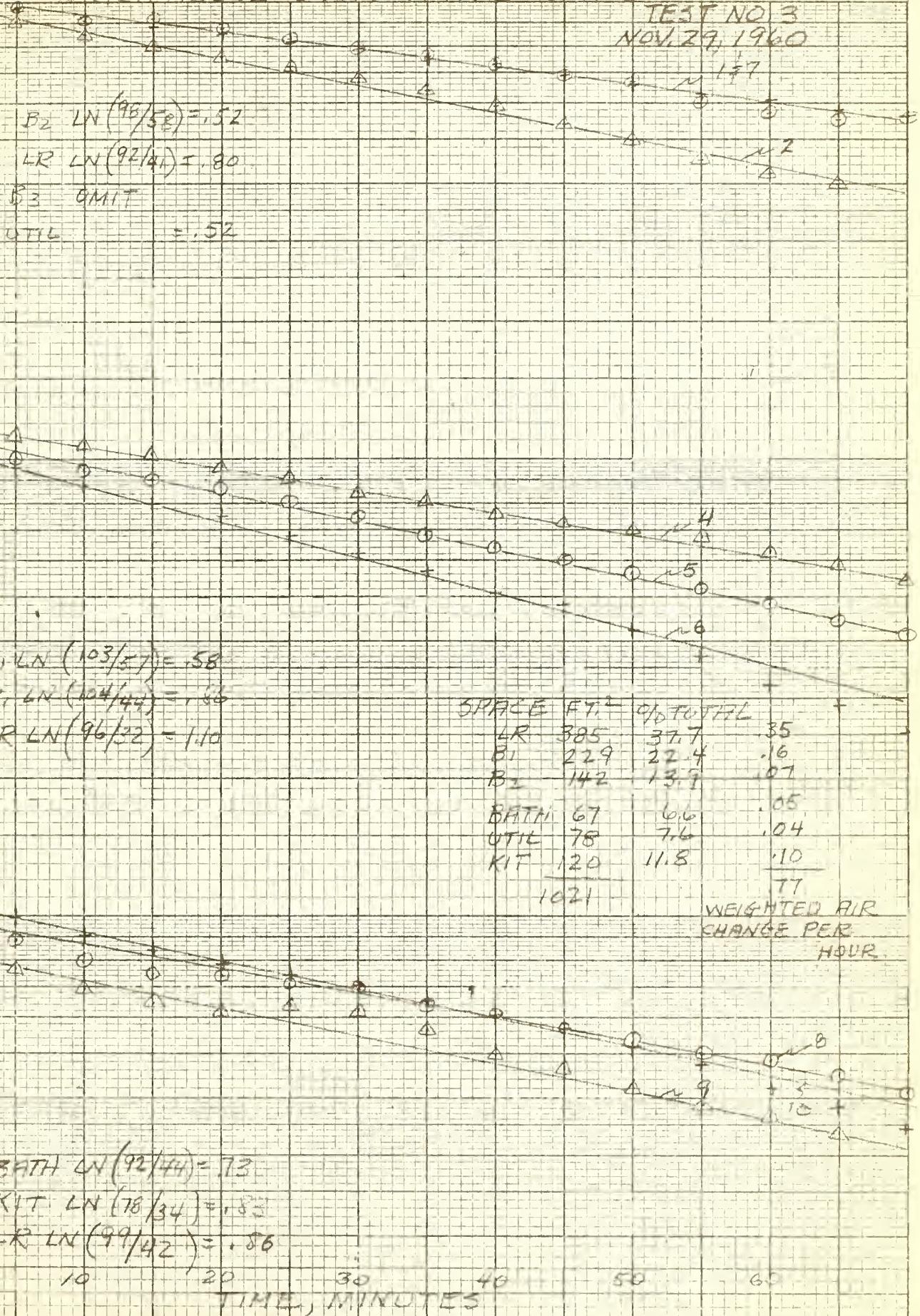
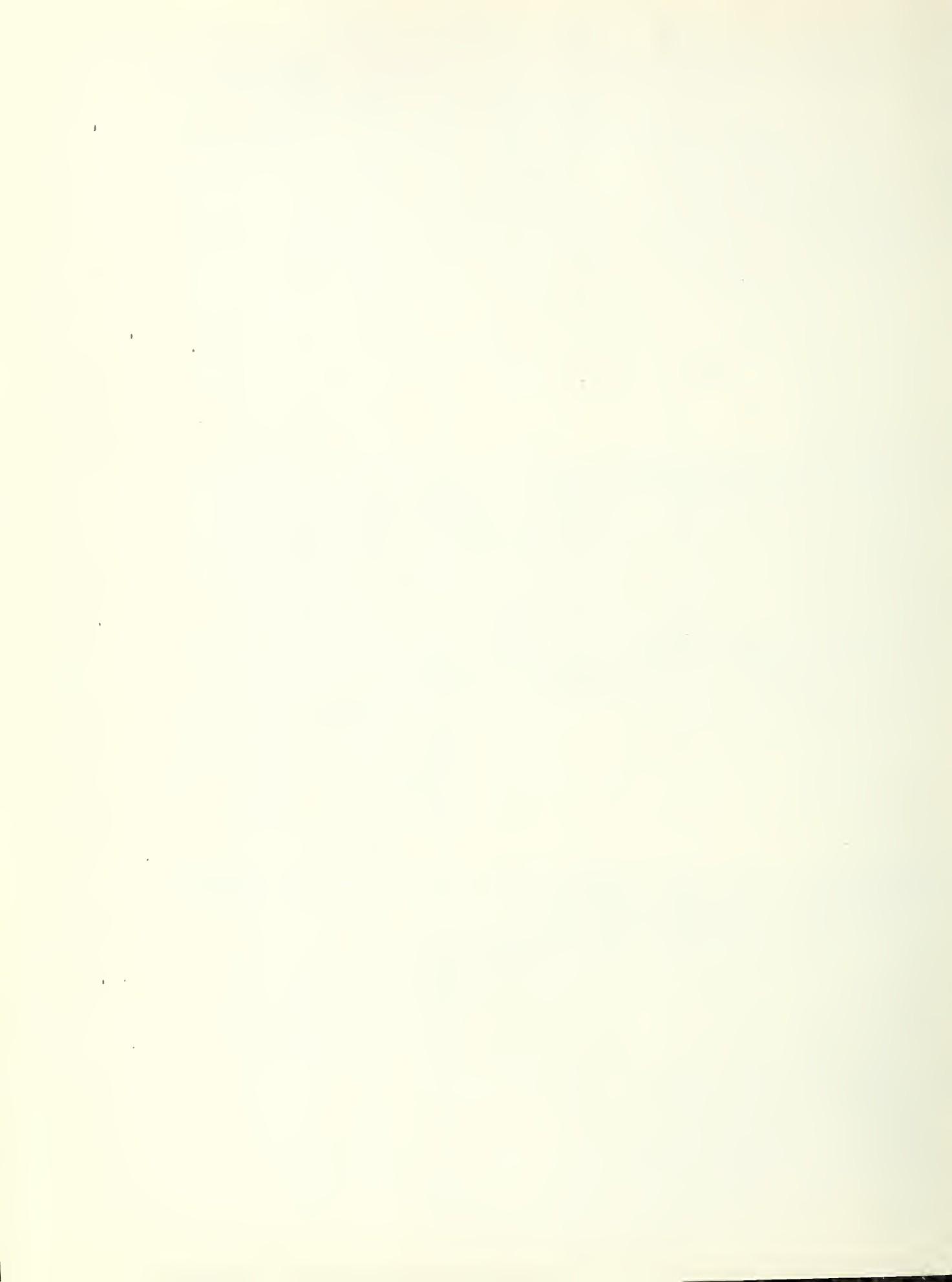


Figure 13



E. HARDY RESIDENCE, RT. 3, GREENFIELD
BRICK HOUSE OVER CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO. 4
NOV 30, 1960

$$1 B_2 \text{ LN} (79/45) = .56$$

$$4 B_1 \text{ LN} (93/54) = .54$$

$$5 B_1 \text{ LN} (89/57) = .45$$

$$2 LR \text{ LN} (105/68) = .44$$

$$3 B_3 \text{ LN} (96/49) = .67$$

$$6 LR \text{ LN} (106/60) = .57$$

$$7 UTIL \text{ LN} (82/42) = .67$$

	SPACE FT. ²	CH TOTAL	
LR	385	36.1	.20
B ₁	229	21.5	.11
B ₂	142	13.5	.08
B ₃	112	10.5	.07
UTIL	78	7.3	.05
KIT	120	11.3	.07
TOTAL			.58

WEIGHTED
AIR CHANGE PER
HOUR

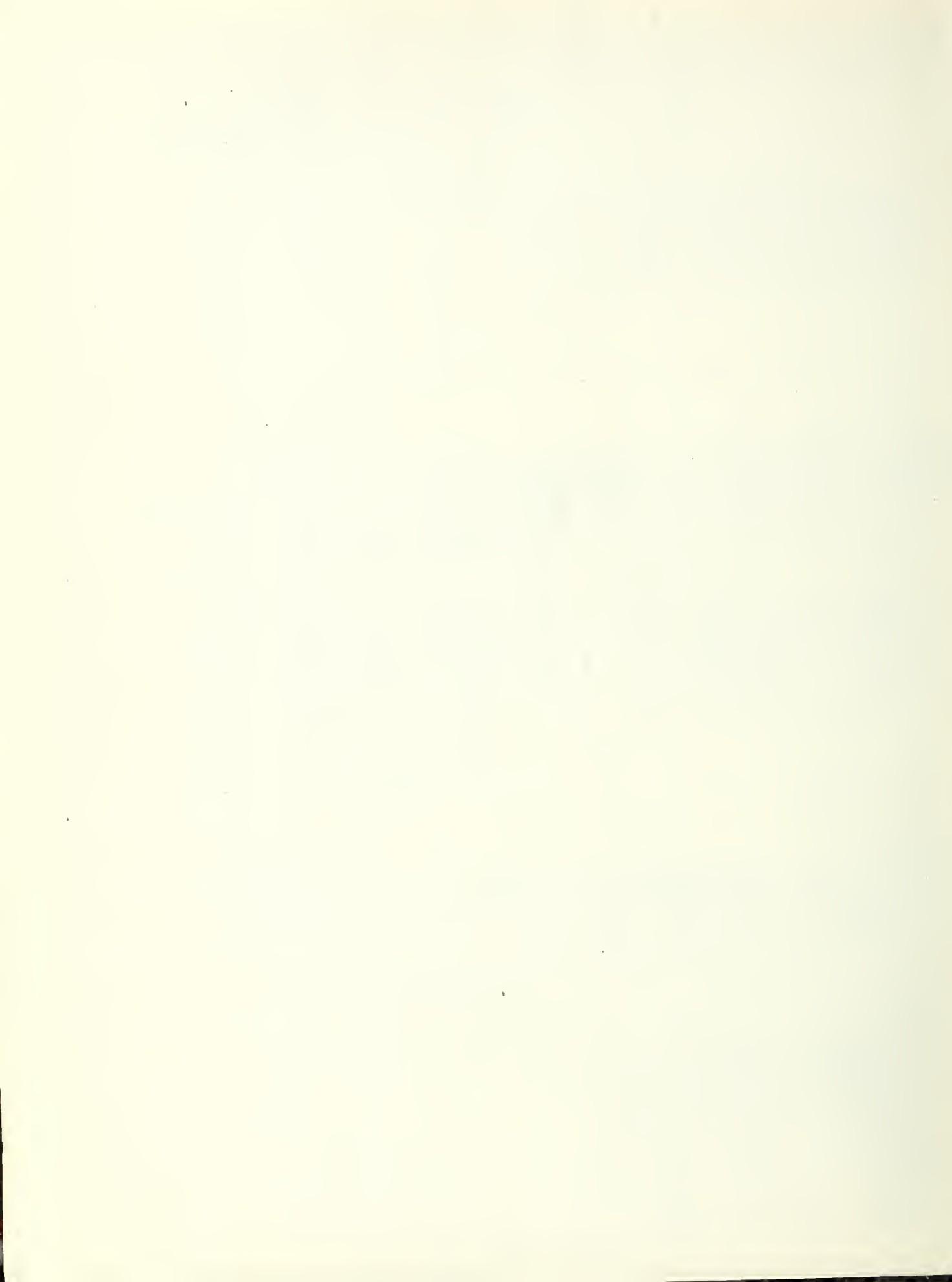
8 PATH OUT

$$9 KIT \text{ LN} (77/41) = .63$$

$$10 LR \text{ LN} (102/59) = .55$$

TIME, MINUTES

Figure 14



T.E. HUFFORD RESIDENCE, RT. 1, CHARLOTTESVILLE
FRAME HOUSE OVER BASEMENT

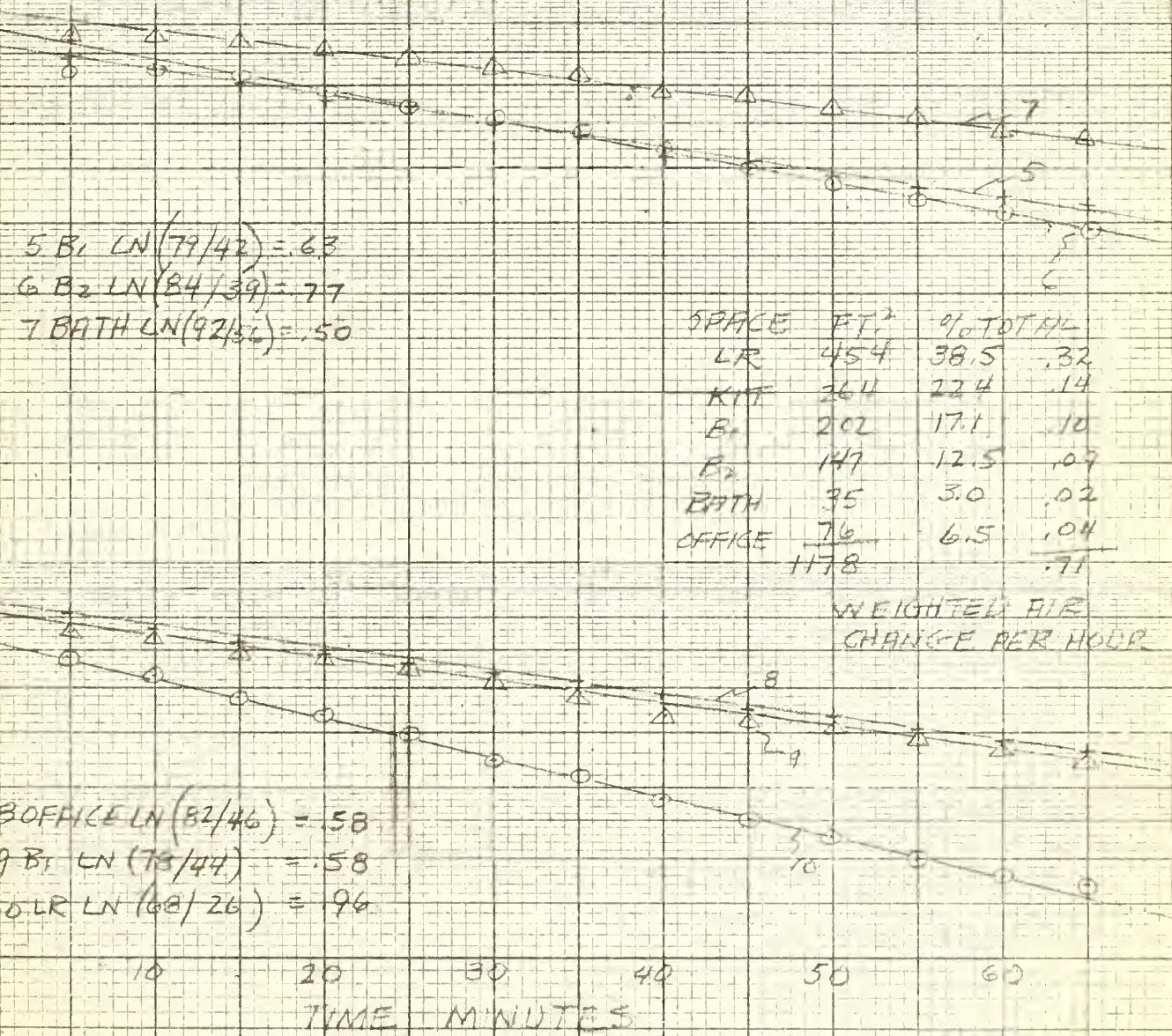
TEST NO. 5
DEC. 1, 1960

1 KIT OMIT

$$2 B_2 LN(82/44) = .62$$

$$3 KIT LN(87/47) = .62$$

$$4 LR LN(80/40) = .69$$

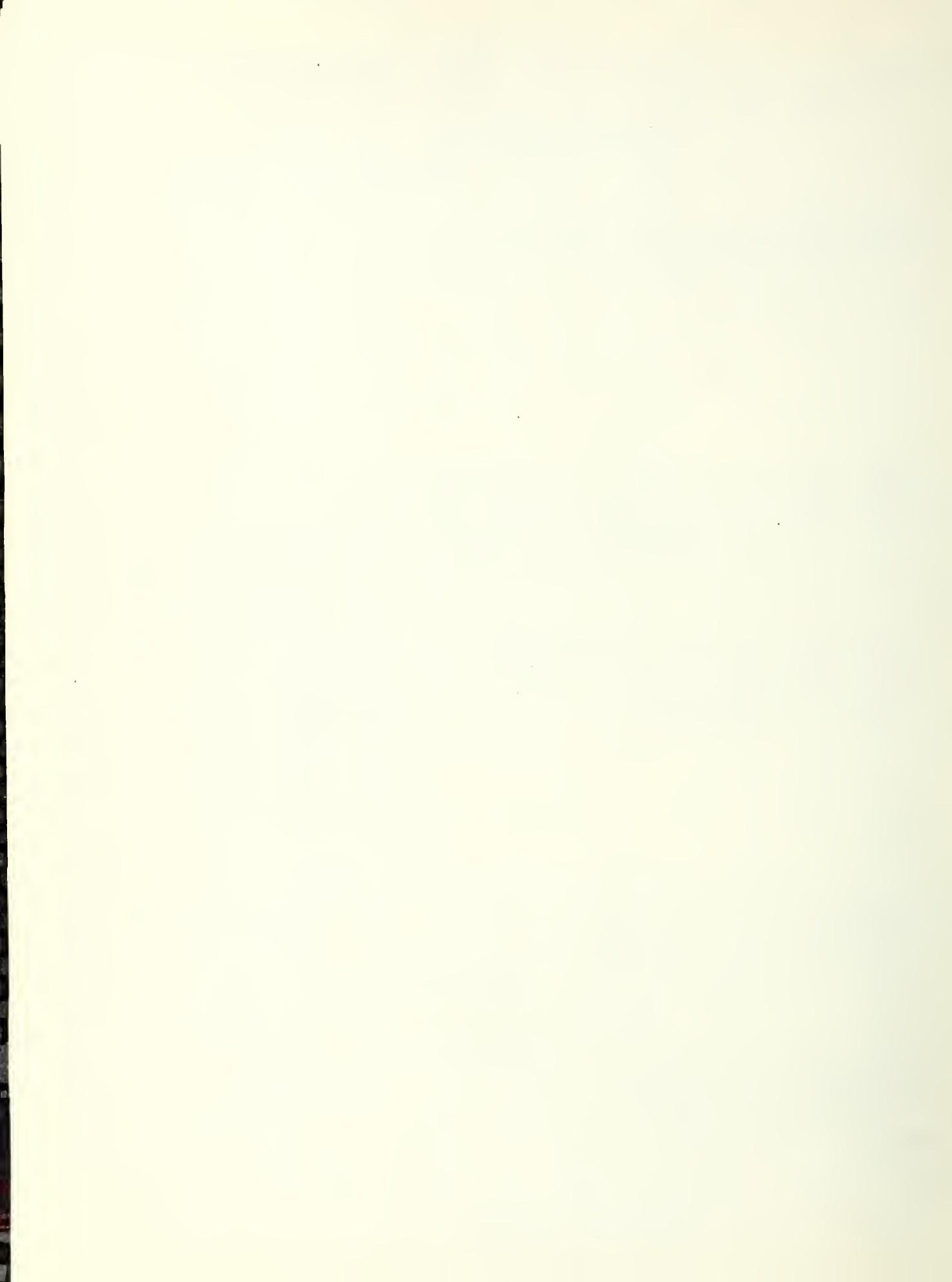


$$8 OFFICE LN(82/46) = .58$$

$$9 B_1 LN(73/44) = .58$$

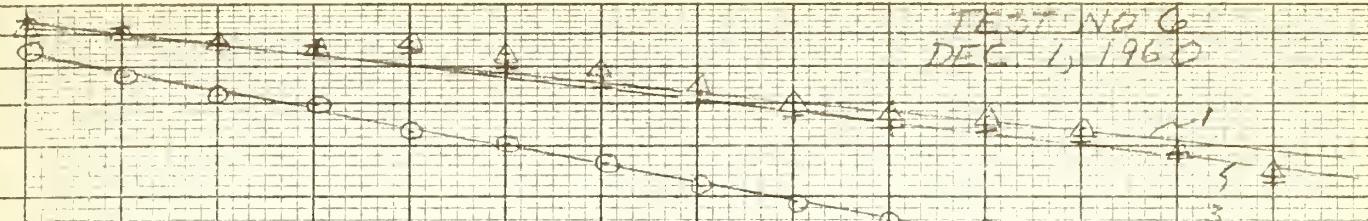
$$10 LR LN(68/26) = .96$$

Figure 15



T.E. HUFFORD RESIDENCE, RT. 1, CHARLOTTSVILLE
FRAME HOUSE OVER BASEMENT

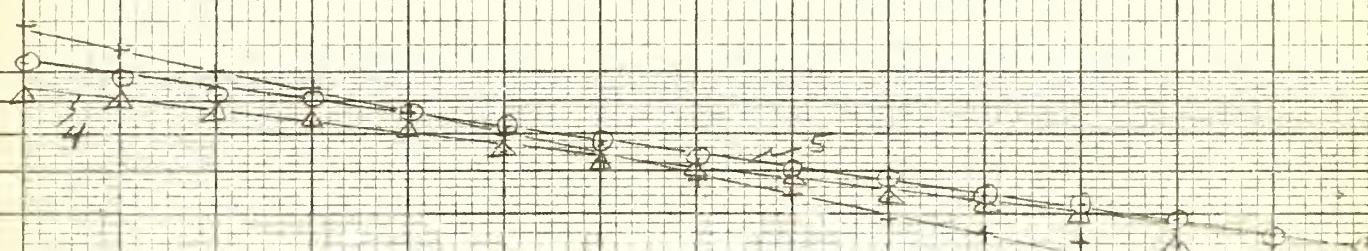
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DEC. 1, 1960



$$1 \text{ KIT } LN(90/56) = .42$$

$$2 \text{ B}_2 \text{ LN}(79/56) = .79$$

$$3 \text{ KIT } LN(91/56) = .49$$



$$4 \text{ LR } LN(90/56) = .48$$

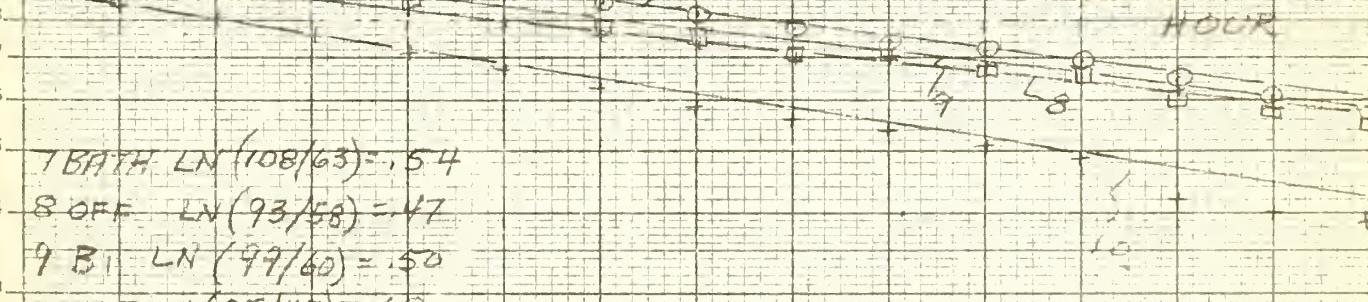
$$5 \text{ B}_1 \text{ LN}(99/56) = .51$$

$$6 \text{ B}_2 \text{ LN}(107/45) = .87$$

SPACE FT² % OF TOTAL

LR	454	38.5	.22
KIT	264	22.4	.10
B1	200	17.1	.09
B2	147	12.5	.06
BATH	35	3.0	.02
OFFICE	76	6.5	.03
	1178		.56

WEIGHTED AVE
CHANGE PER
HOUR



$$7 \text{ BATH } LN(108/63) = .54$$

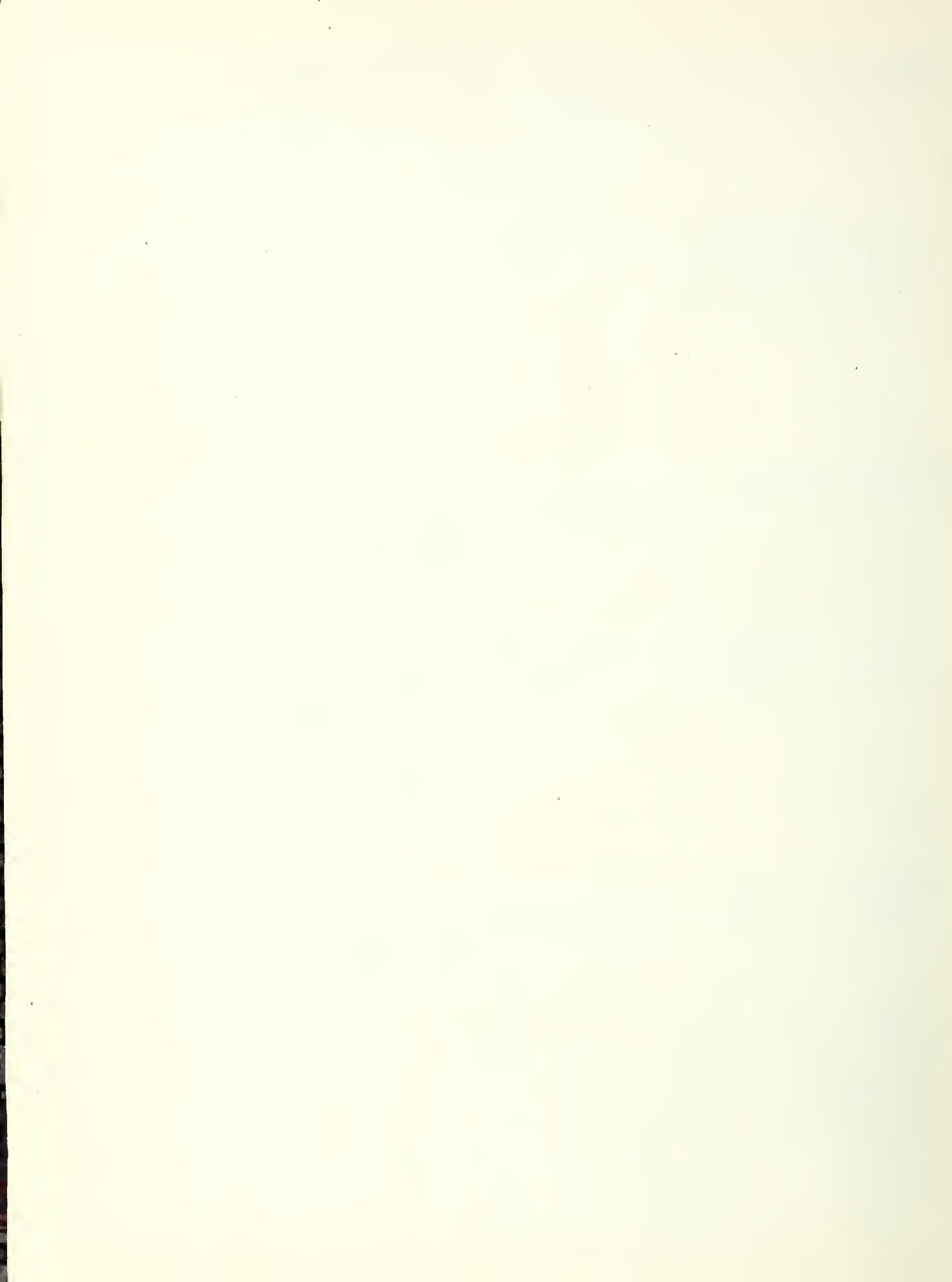
$$8 \text{ OFF } LN(93/58) = .47$$

$$9 \text{ B}_1 \text{ LN}(99/60) = .50$$

$$10 \text{ LR } LN(85/43) = .68$$

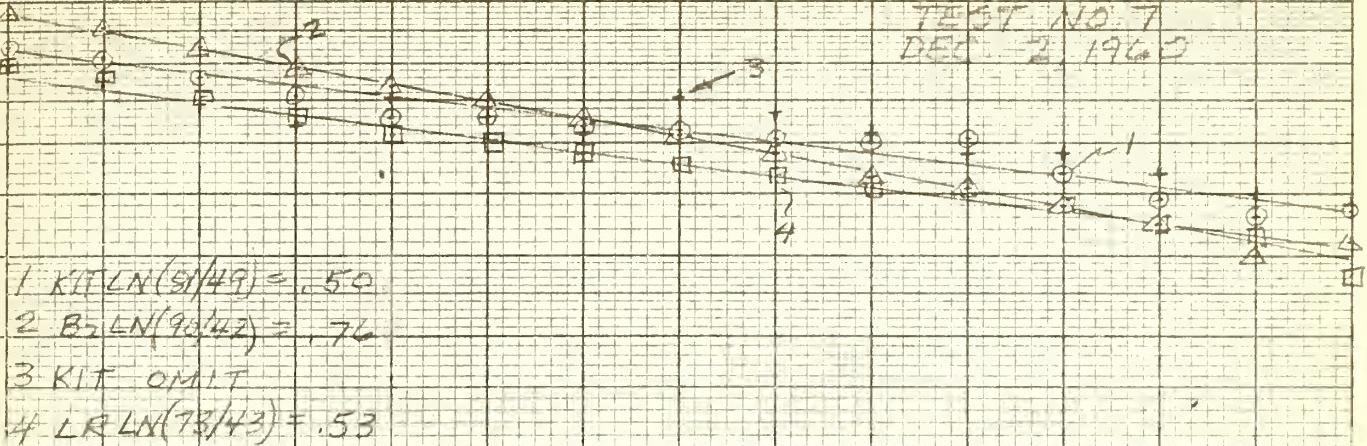
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TIME MINUTES

Figure 16



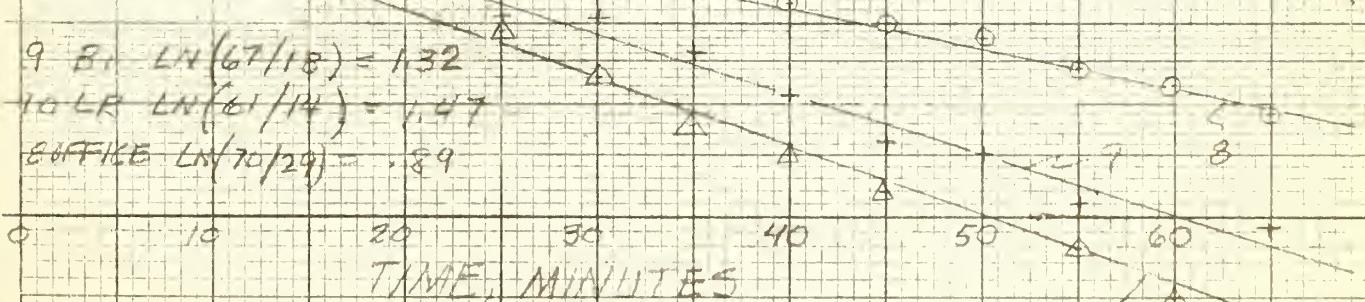
T.E. HUFFORD RESIDENCE, RT 1, CHARLOTTESVILLE
FRAME HOUSE OVER BASEMENT

TEST NO. A
DEC 2, 1963



ROOM	FT ²	% OF TOTAL
LR	454	.385
KIT	264	.224
B1	202	.171
B2	147	.125
BATH	35	.030
OFF	76	.065
	1178	.77

WEIGHTED AIR
CHANGE PER HOUR





J. S. CRAIG RESIDENCE, RR. 1, WABASH
BRICK HOUSE WITH BASEMENT AND CLOTHED SPACE

TEST NO. 8

DATE 3, 1960

$$5 \text{ BATH, LN } (95/64) = .40$$

$$9 \text{ KIT LN } (95/47) = .71$$

10 KIT OMIT

1 B, OMIT

$$2 B_3 LN (110/70) = .45$$

$$3 \text{ BATH, LN } (101/67) = .41$$

$$4 \text{ B}_2 LN (125/87) = .36$$

SPACE	FT. ²	Q.TD/Hr.	L
LR	338	29.9	.14
KIT	300	27	.19
CLOUND	35	3.1	.02
B2	153	13.6	.05
B3	127	11.2	.05
BATH	106	9.4	.04
BATH	64	5.7	.02
	1129		.51

WEIGHTED AIR
CHANGE PER HOUR

(6.7)

$$6 \text{ LR LN } (100/62) = .48$$

$$7 \text{ LR LN } (100/62) = .48$$

$$8 \text{ CLOUD LN } (94/57) = .50$$

0 10 20 30 40 50 60

TIME, MINUTES



J.S. CRAIG RESIDENCE, RR.1, WABASH
BRICK HOUSE WITH BASEMENT AND CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO 9
DEC. 12, 1960

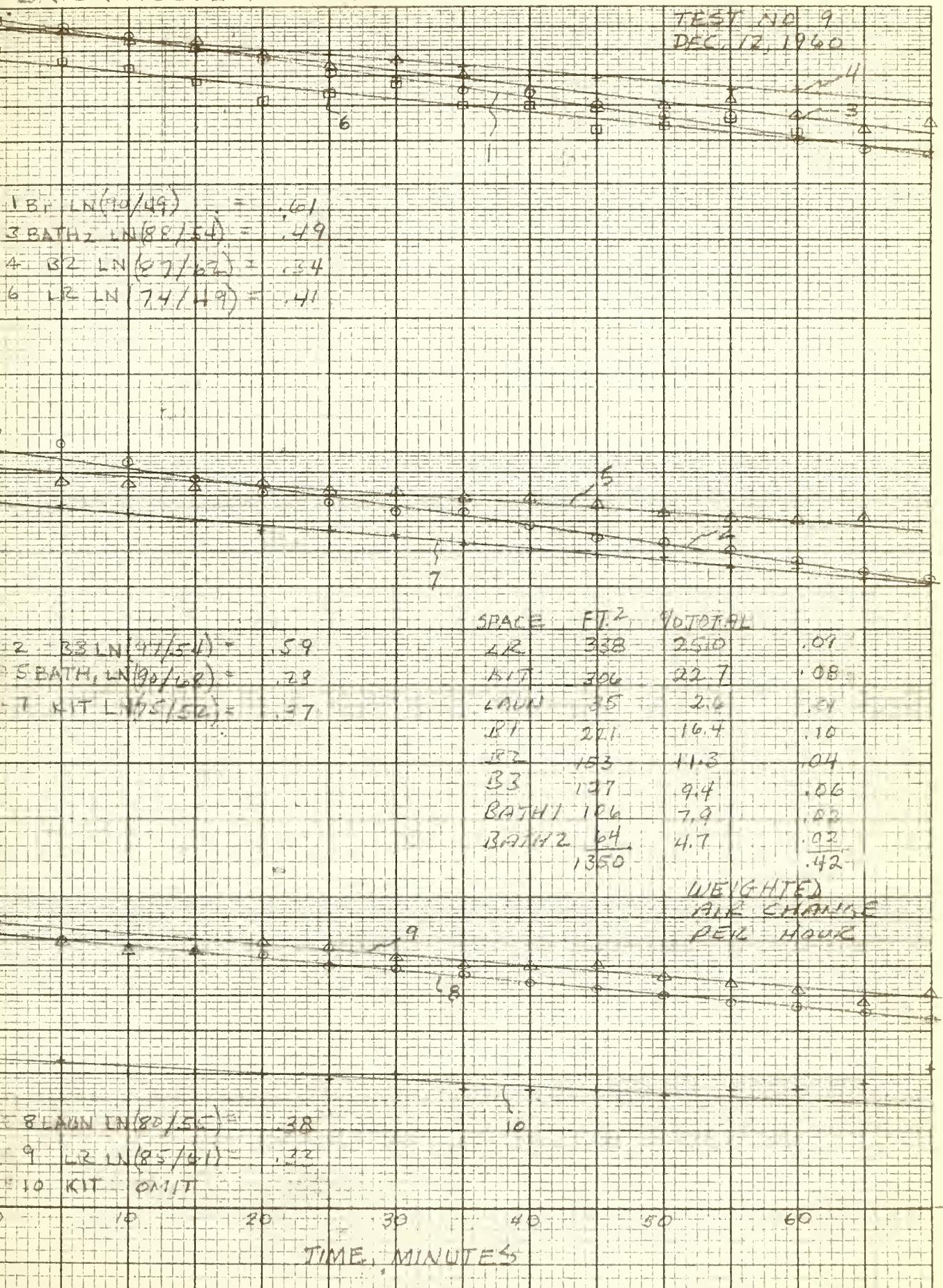


Figure 19



J.S. CRAIG RESIDENCE, RR. 1, WABASH
BRICK HOUSE WITH BASEMENT AND CRAWL SPACE

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DEC 4, 1960

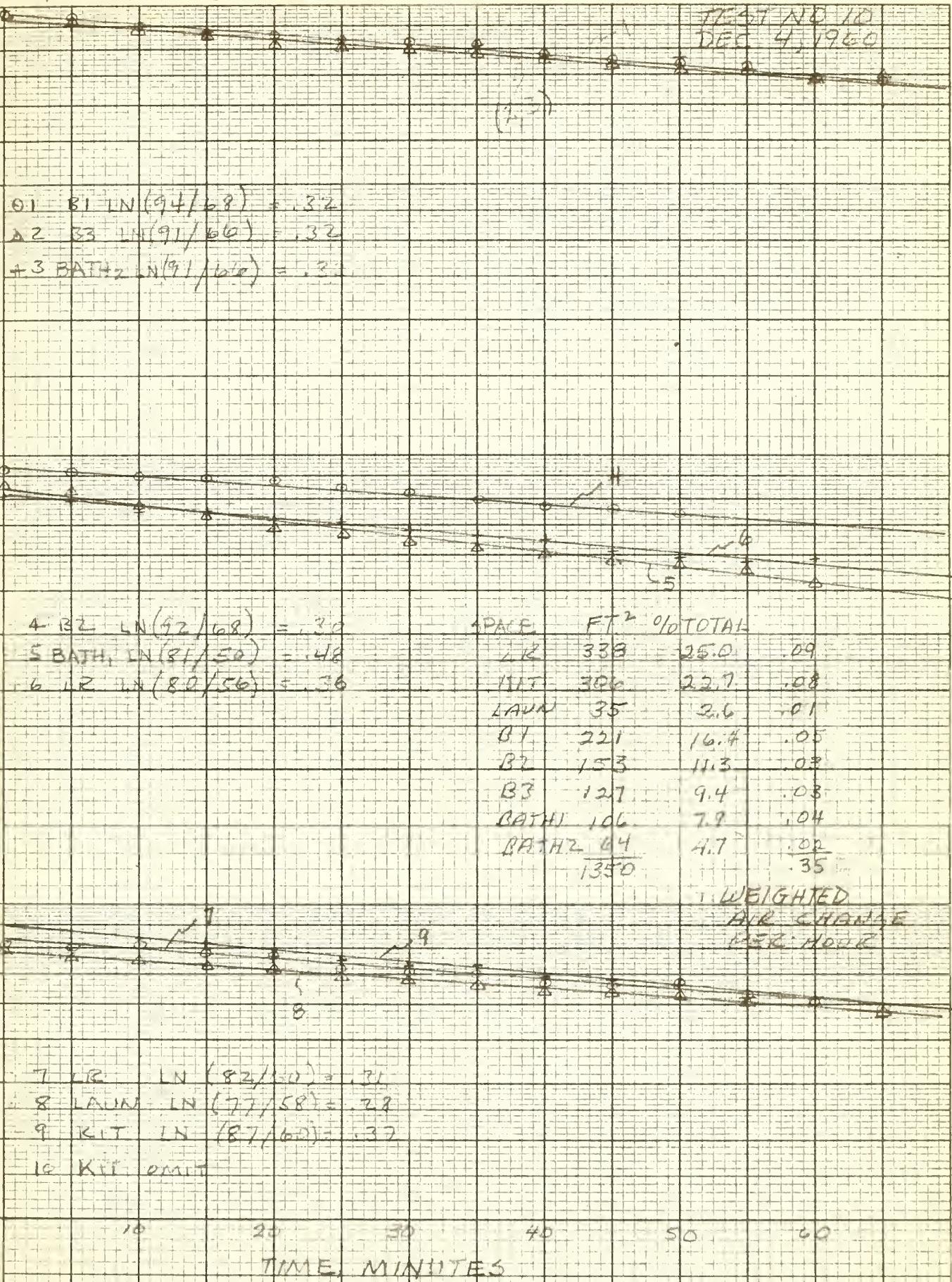
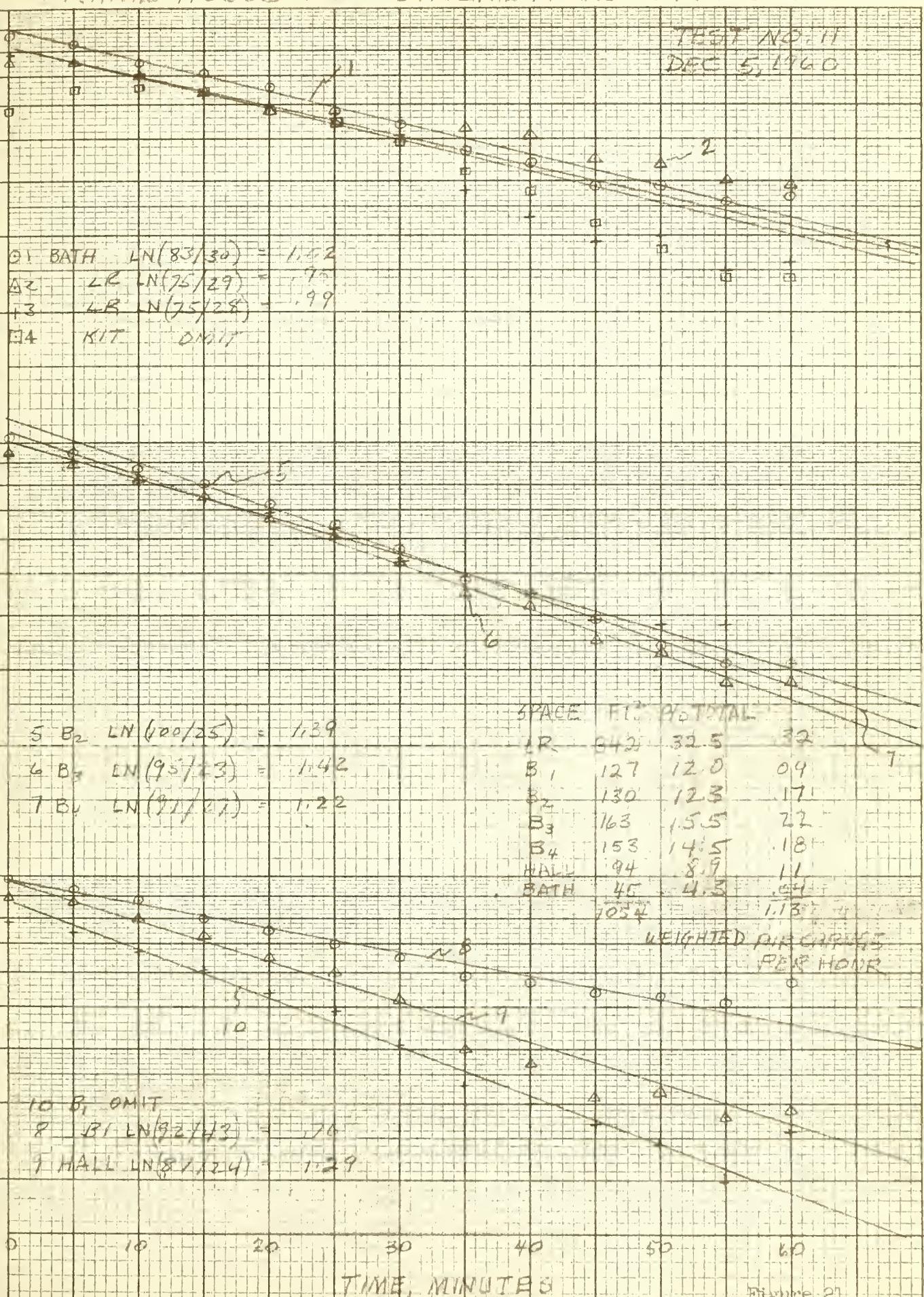


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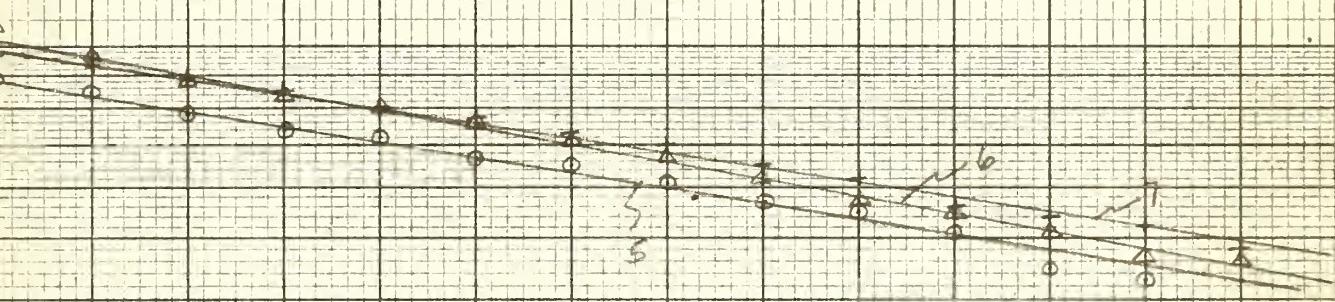
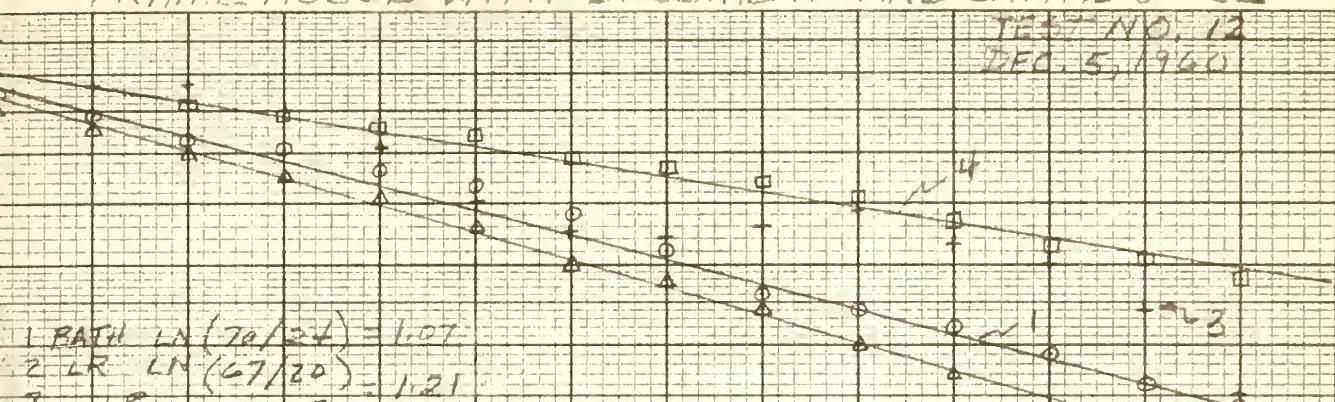
D.A. METZGER RESIDENCE, RR.3, N. MANCHESTER
FRAME HOUSE WITH BASEMENT AND CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO. 11
DEC 5, 1960



D. A. METZGER RESIDENCE, RR. 3, N. MANCHESTER
FRAME HOUSE WITH BASEMENT AND CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO. 12
DEC 5, 1960



SPACE PT. IN. % TOTAL

LR	342	28.0	.34
KIT	165	13.5	.09
B1	137	10.4	.08
B2	130	10.7	.07
B3	163	13.4	.10
B4	153	12.6	.09
HALL	94	7.7	.05
BATH	45	3.7	.04
	1219		.85

WEIGHTED HWD CHANGE
PER HOUR

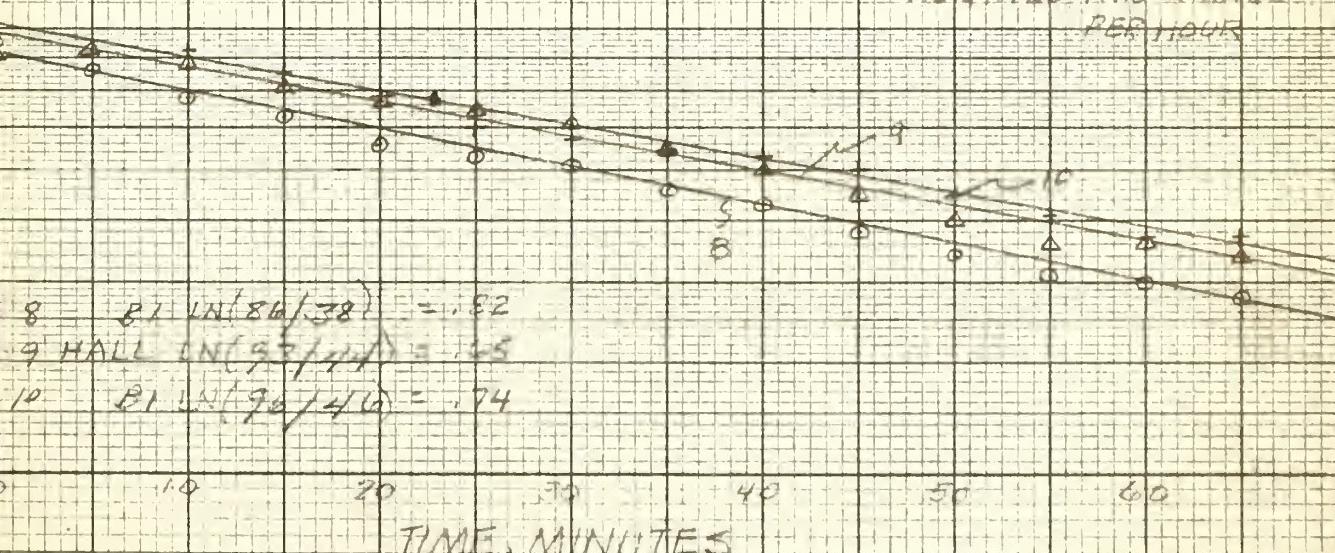


Figure 22

D.A. METZGER RESIDENCE, RR3, N. MANCHESTER
FRAME HOUSE WITH BASEMENT AND CRAWL SPACE

TEST NO. 13
DEC. 6, 1966

1 BATH LN(87/40) = .78
2 LR LN(83/48) = .55
3 LR BMT
4 KIT LN(74/35) = .69

5 B2 LN(84/43) = .67
6 B3 LN(97/45) = .70
7 B4 LN(93/49) = .64

8 B1 LN(85/37) = .83
9 HALL (28/40) = .79
10 B1 LN(94/43) = .78

SPACE	FT ²	No.	TOTAL
LR	34.2	38.0	.154
KIT	16.5	13.6	.093
B1	12.7	10.4	.057
B2	13.0	10.7	.072
B3	16.5	13.4	.094
B4	15.3	12.6	.081
HALL	9.4	7.7	.061
BATH	4.6	3.7	.030
	121.9		.672

UNWEIGHTED AIR CHANGE
PER HOUR

TIME, MINUTES

Figure 23

R. WRIGLEY RESIDENCE, RR. 3, WARSAW
FRAME HOUSE OVER BASEMENT

TEST NO 14
DEC 7, 1960

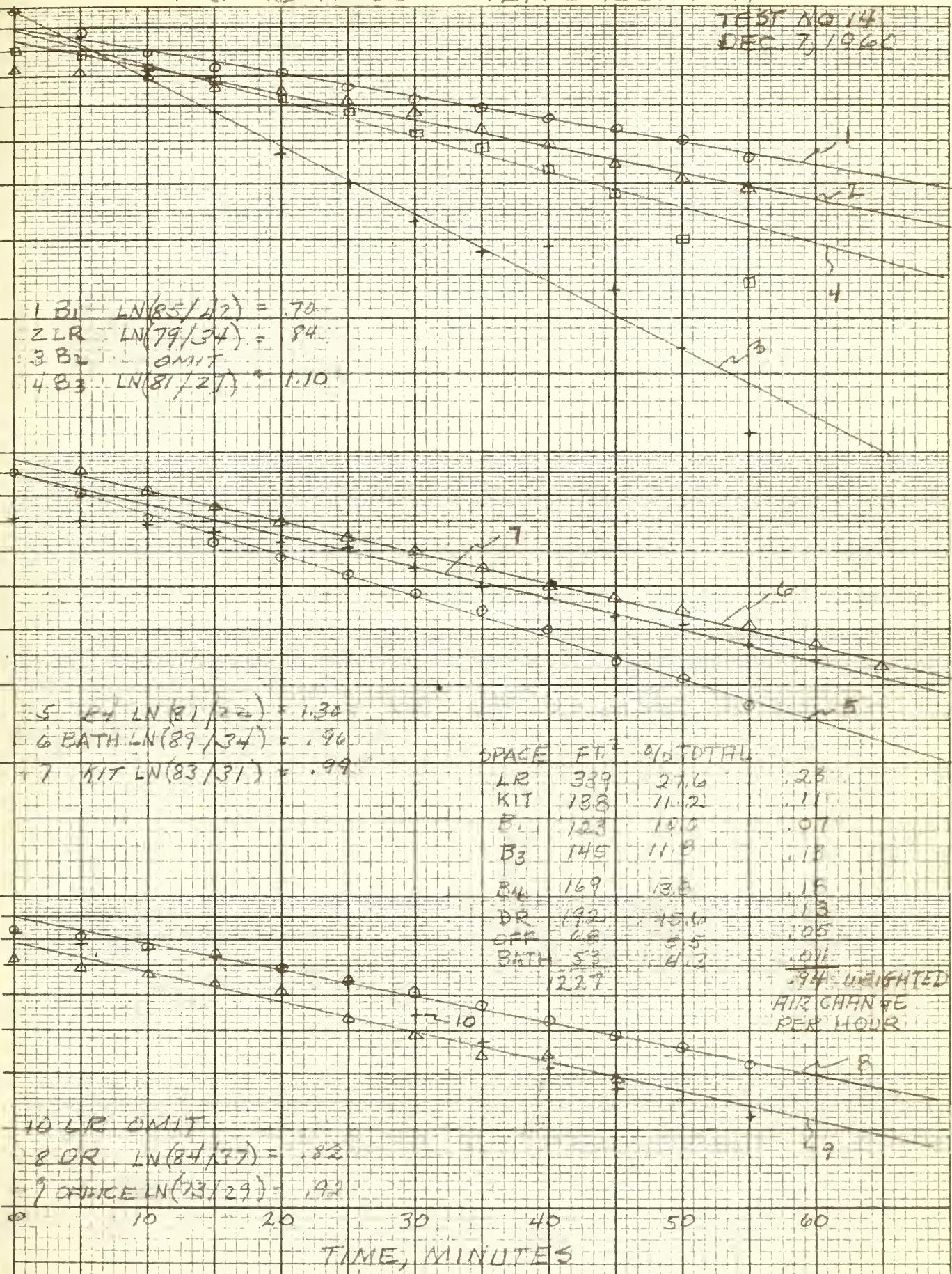
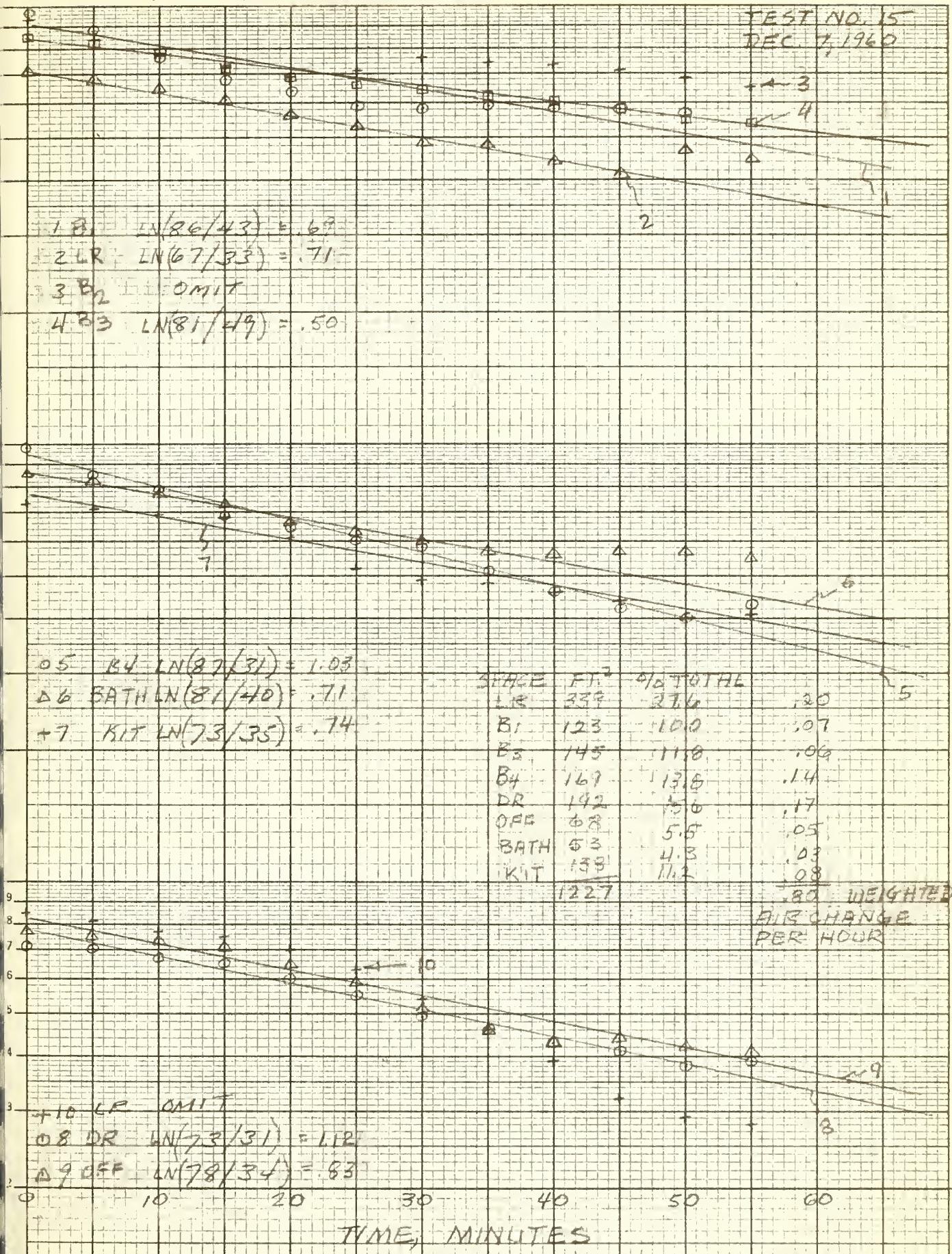


Figure 24

R. WRIGLEY RESIDENCE, RR.3, WARSAW
FRAME HOUSE OVER BASEMENT

TEST NO. 15
DEC 7, 1960



R. WRIGLEY RESIDENCE, RR.3, WARSAW
FRAME HOUSE OVER BASEMENT

TEST NO 16
DEC 8, 1960

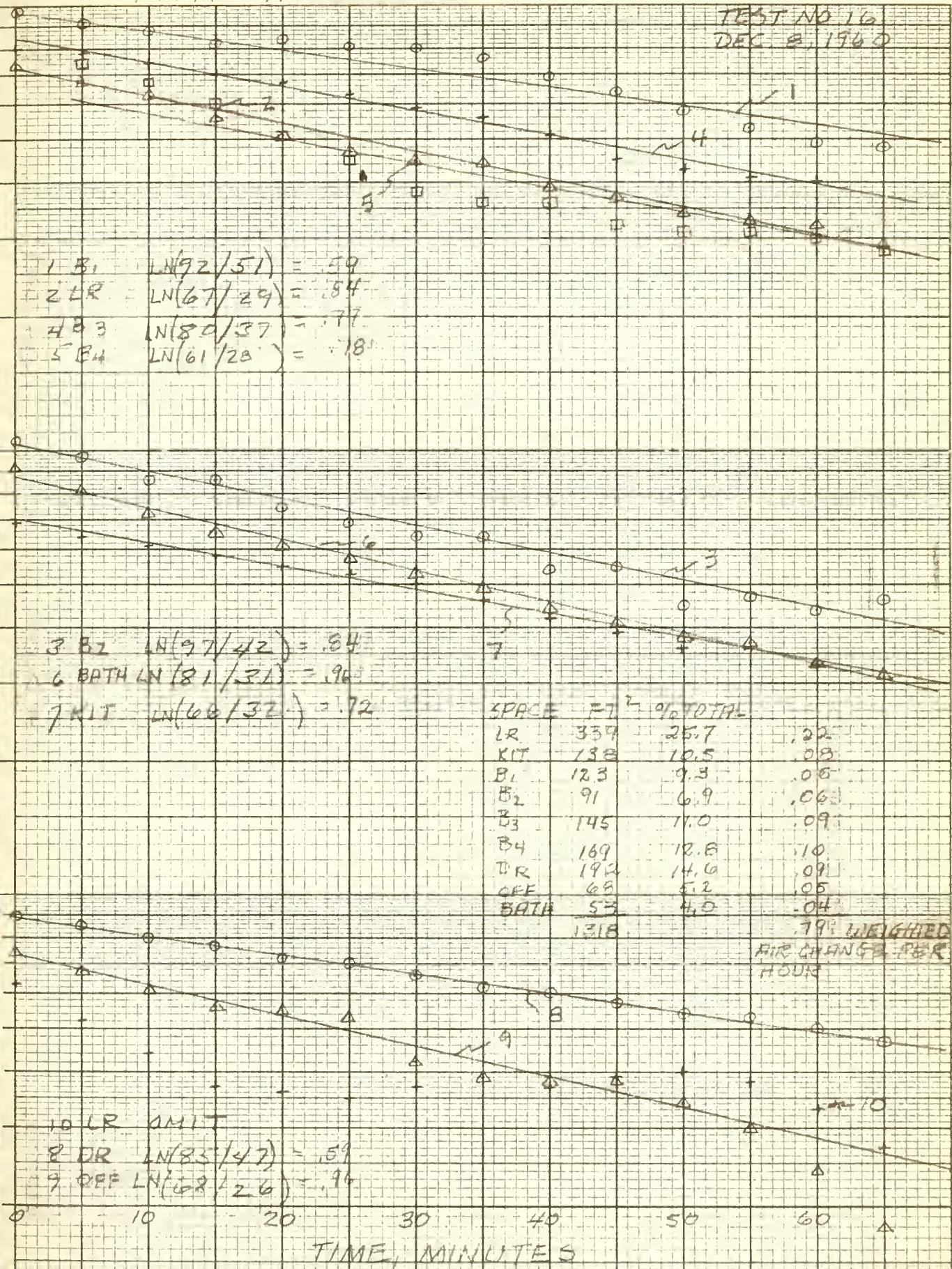


Figure 26

R. WRIGLEY RESIDENCE, RR. 3, WARSAW
FRAME HOUSE OVER BASEMENT

TEST NO. 17
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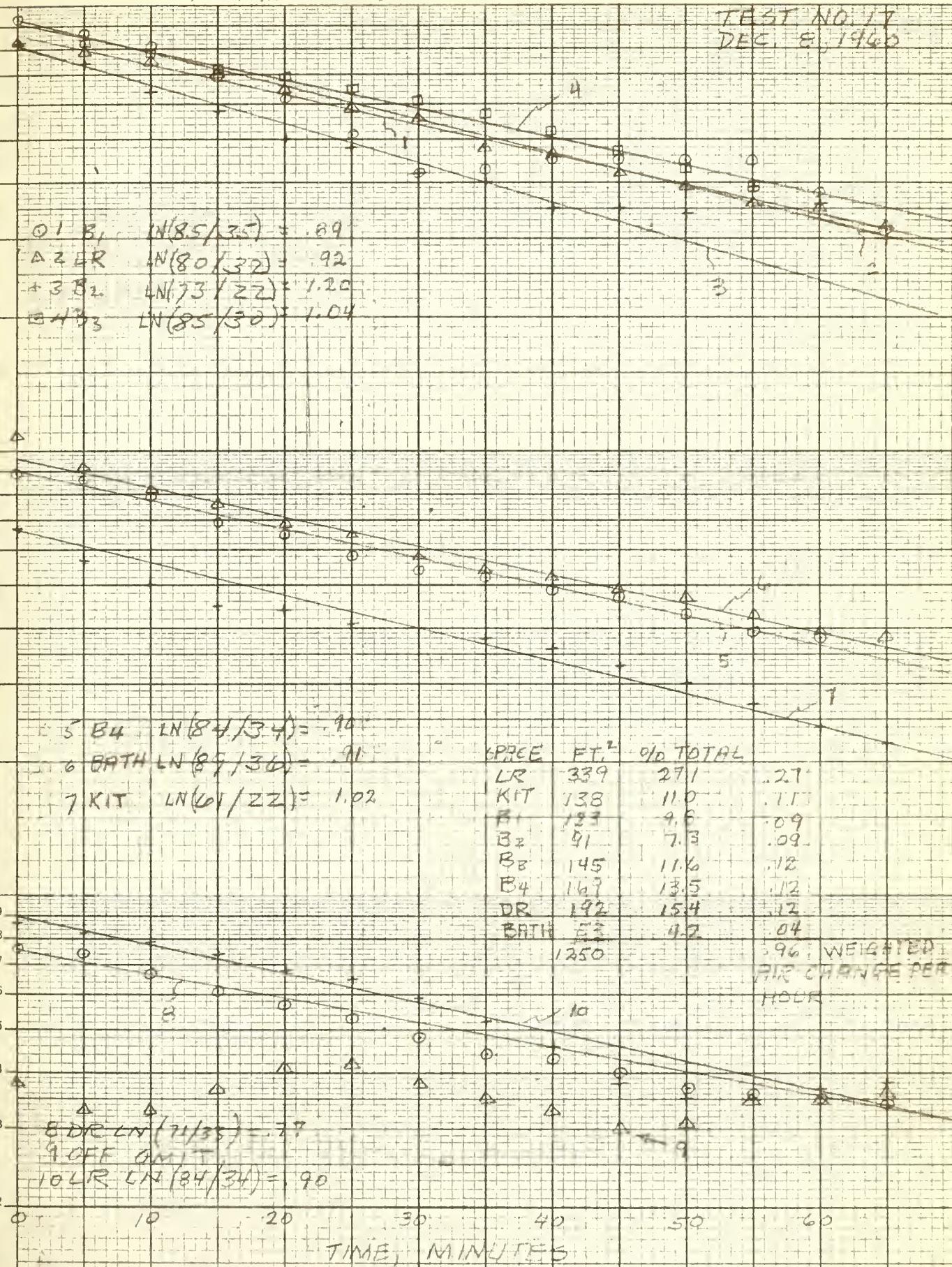


Figure 27

M. SPANN RESIDENCE

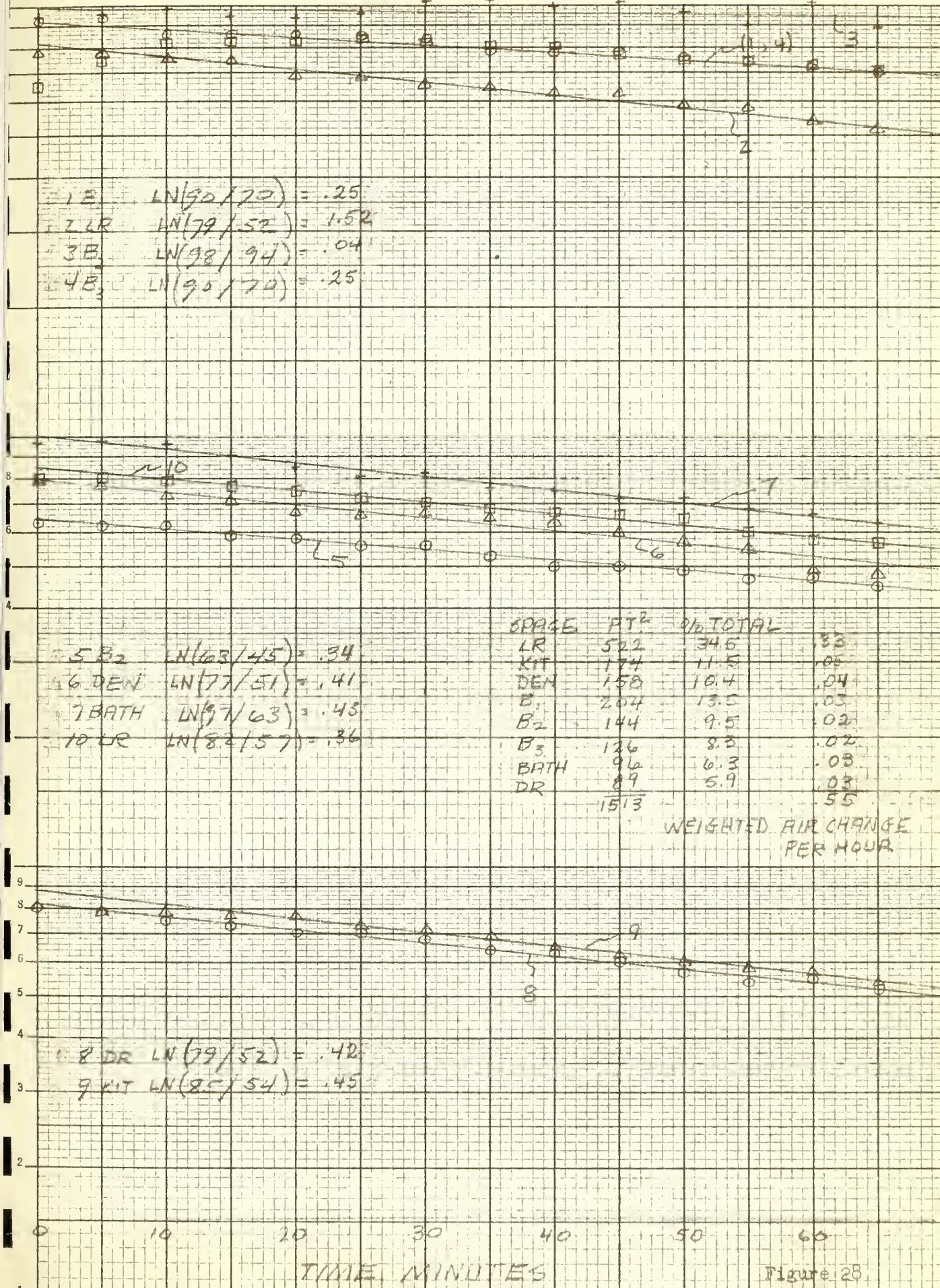
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Figure 28

M. SPANN RESIDENCE

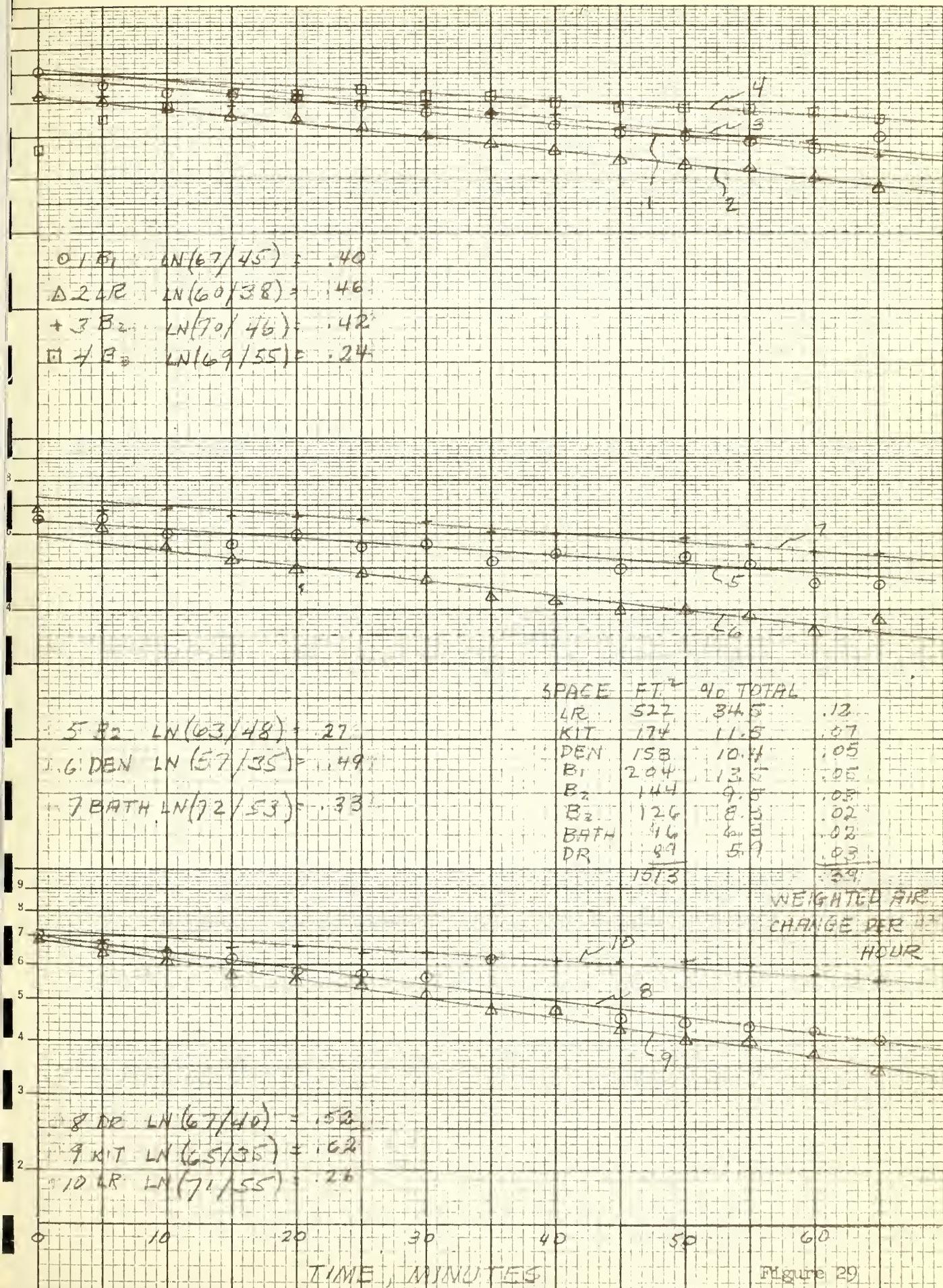
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Figure 29

M. SPANN RESIDENCE

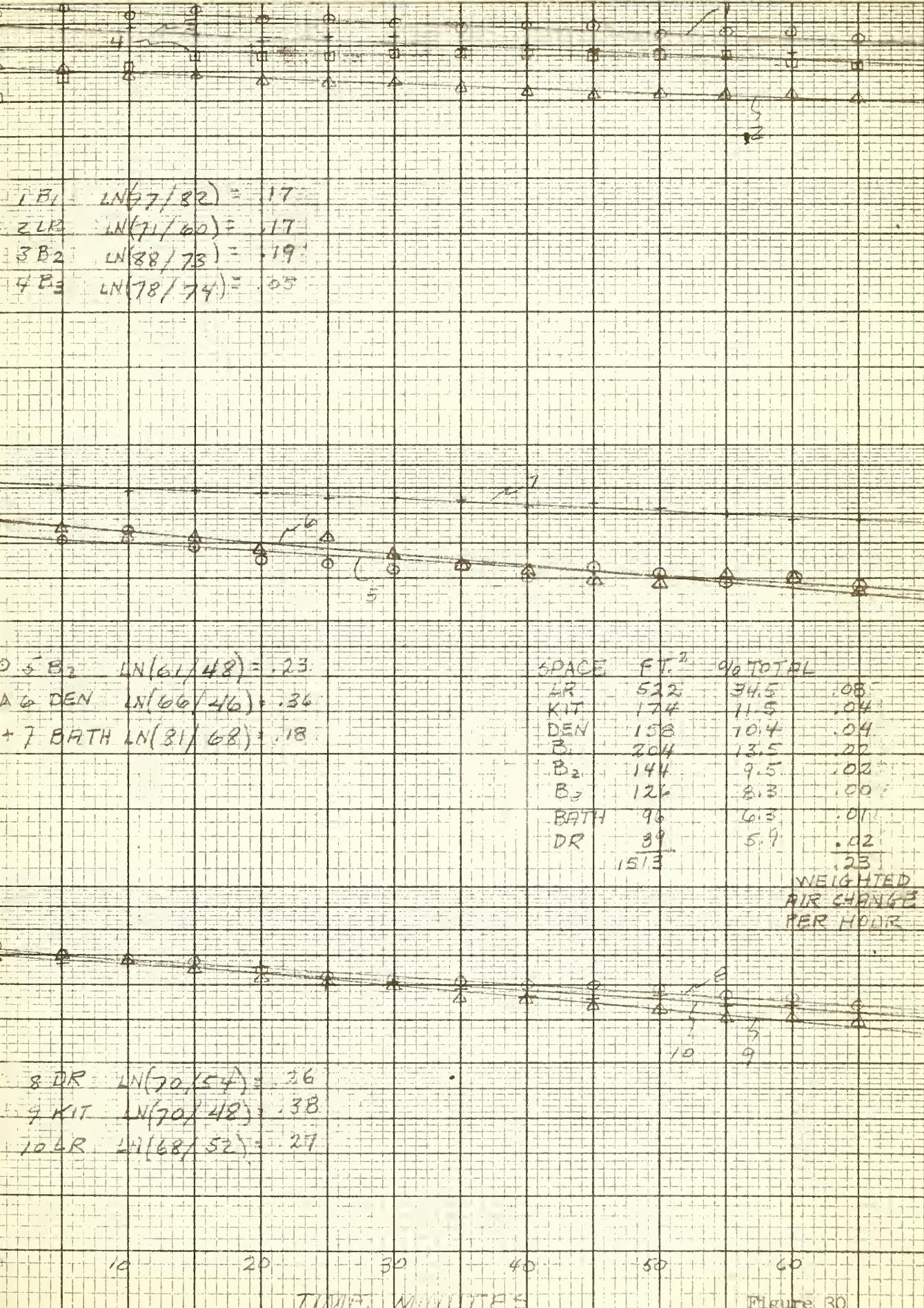
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Figure 30

B. YEITER RESIDENCE

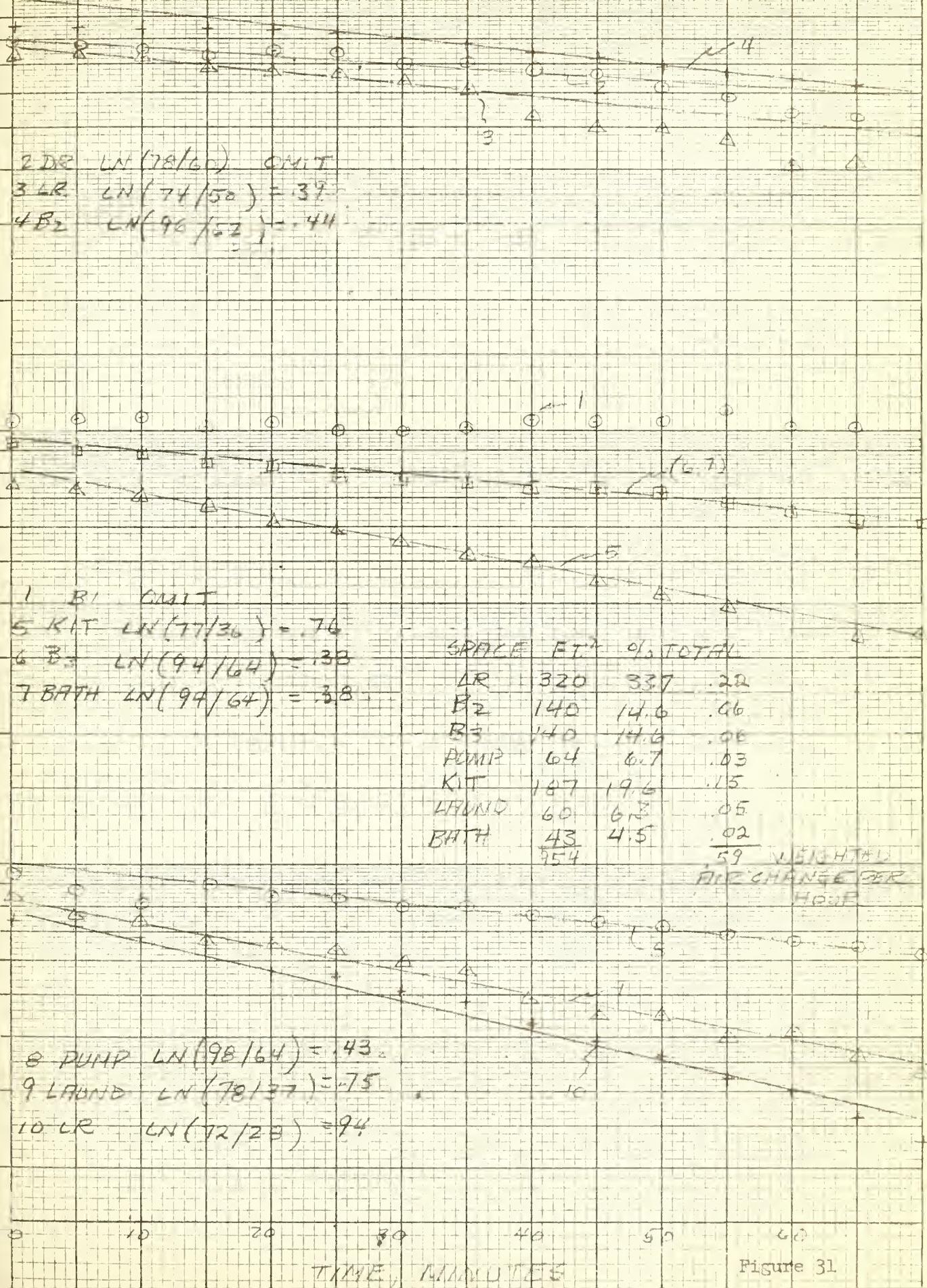
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Figure 31

B. YEITER RESIDENCE

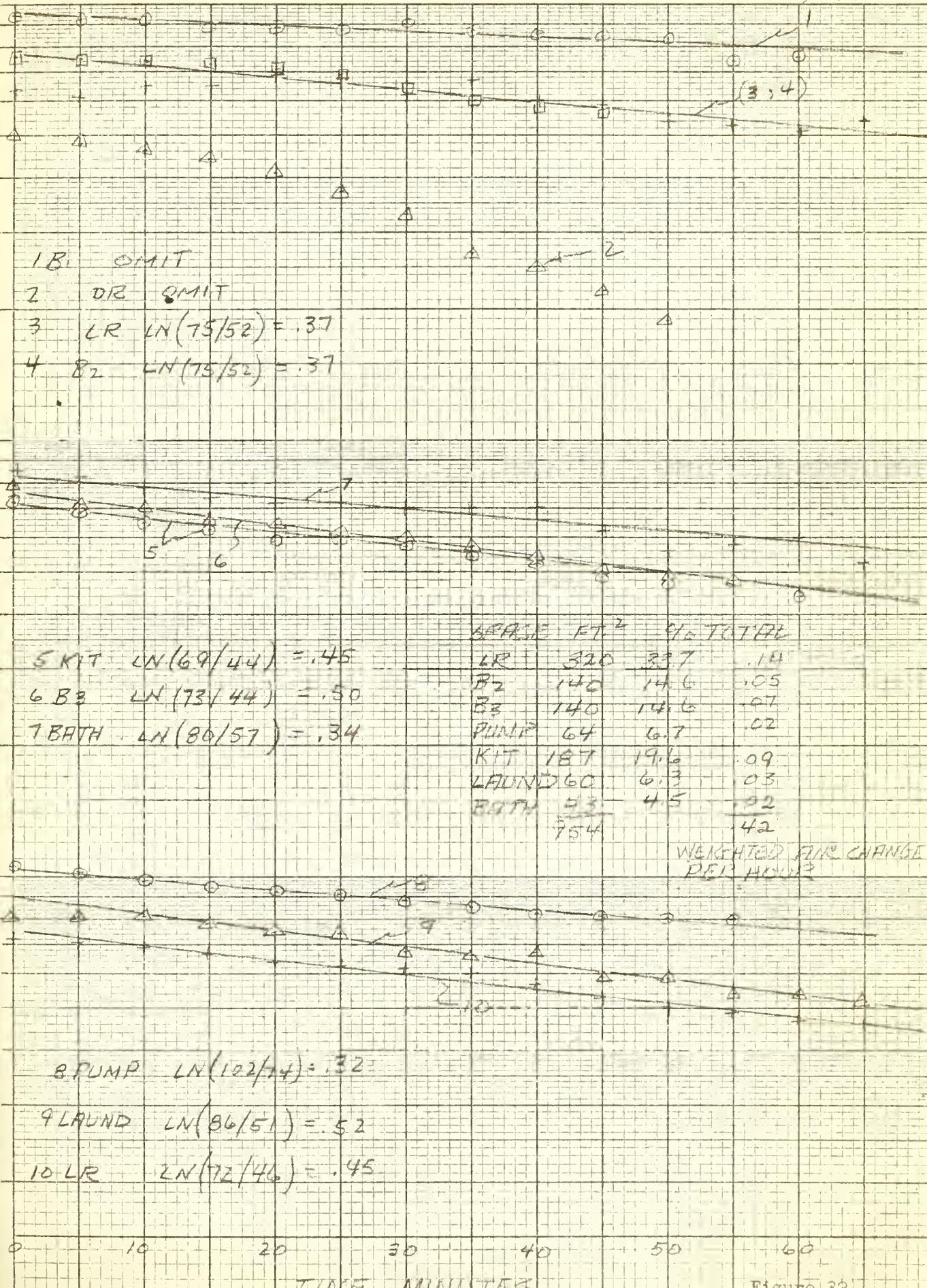
TEST NO 22
DEC. 13, 1960

Figure 32

W. DIECKMAN RESIDENCE

TEST NO. 23
DEC 15, 1966

$$1 \text{ BR } LN(EG/38) = .81$$

$$2 \text{ LR } LN(67/38) = .78$$

$$3 \text{ BR } LN(73/30) = .89$$

$$5 \times 17 LN(67/72) = 1.05$$

$$4 \text{ BATH } LN(76/42) = .60$$

$$6 \text{ BY } LN(100/92) = .65$$

SPACE	FT ²	% TO TOTL	AIR CHG/HR
GR	234	16.8	.12
DR	234	16.4	.11
B.	198	14.3	.12
R.	239	17.2	.09
B4	223	16.1	.10
KIT	261	19.8	.11
	1357	100.0	.11

UNWEIGHTED AIR
CHARGE PER HOUR

$$8 \text{ BR } LN(30/49) = .49$$

$$9 \text{ DR } LN(73/37) = .68$$

$$10 \text{ LR } LN(67/37) = .59$$

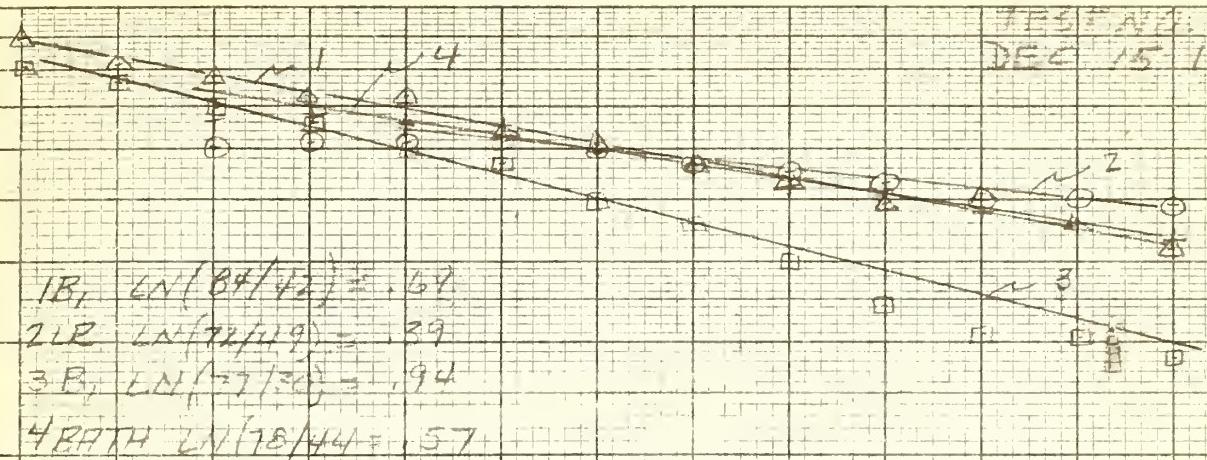
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TIME. MINUTES

Figure 33

W. L. ELKHORN

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5KIT, $\ln(13/50) = .75$

6#4, $\ln(100/50) = .69$

7B, $\ln(103/57) = .56$

STATION	FT.	9/27 1960	WATER LEVEL
CR	234	15.3	.07
DR	224	15.8	.08
P1	198	11.8	.10
P2	239	14.1	.07
P3	245	14.4	.08
P4	223	13.1	.09
KIT	261	16.4	.12
BATH	62	8.6	.02
		16.6	.65

WEIGHTED FMR
CHANGE FOR
1 HOUR
(1,12)

8B, $\ln(84/40) = .47$

9DZ, $\ln(74/42) = .57$

10LR, $\ln(74/42) = .57$

TIME, MINUTES

Figure 34

DEC 16, 1960

W. J. CHECKMAN

$$1 \text{ BR } \ln(97/84) = .110$$

$$2 \text{ LR } \ln(83/40) = .73$$

$$3 \text{ BI } \ln(55/42) = .69$$

$$4 \text{ BATH } \ln(87/57) = .52$$

$$5 \text{ KIT } \ln(128/14) = .92$$

$$6 \text{ BY } \ln(100/54) = .62$$

$$7 \text{ B3 } \ln(115/82) = .33$$

SPACE FT² Q/H TOTAL

LR	234	13.8	.13
DR	234	13.8	.12
B1	178	11.7	.08
B1	239	14.1	.06
B3	245	14.4	.05
B4	223	13.1	.08
KIT	241	15.4	.13
BATH	62	3.6	.02
	1674		.67

WEIGHTED
AIR CHANGE PER
HOUR

$$8 \text{ B1 } \ln(74/57) = .45$$

$$9 \text{ DR } \ln(80/52) = .89$$

$$10 \text{ LR } \ln(77/25) = 1.13$$

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TIME, MINUTES

Figure 35

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C. FANNING TEST

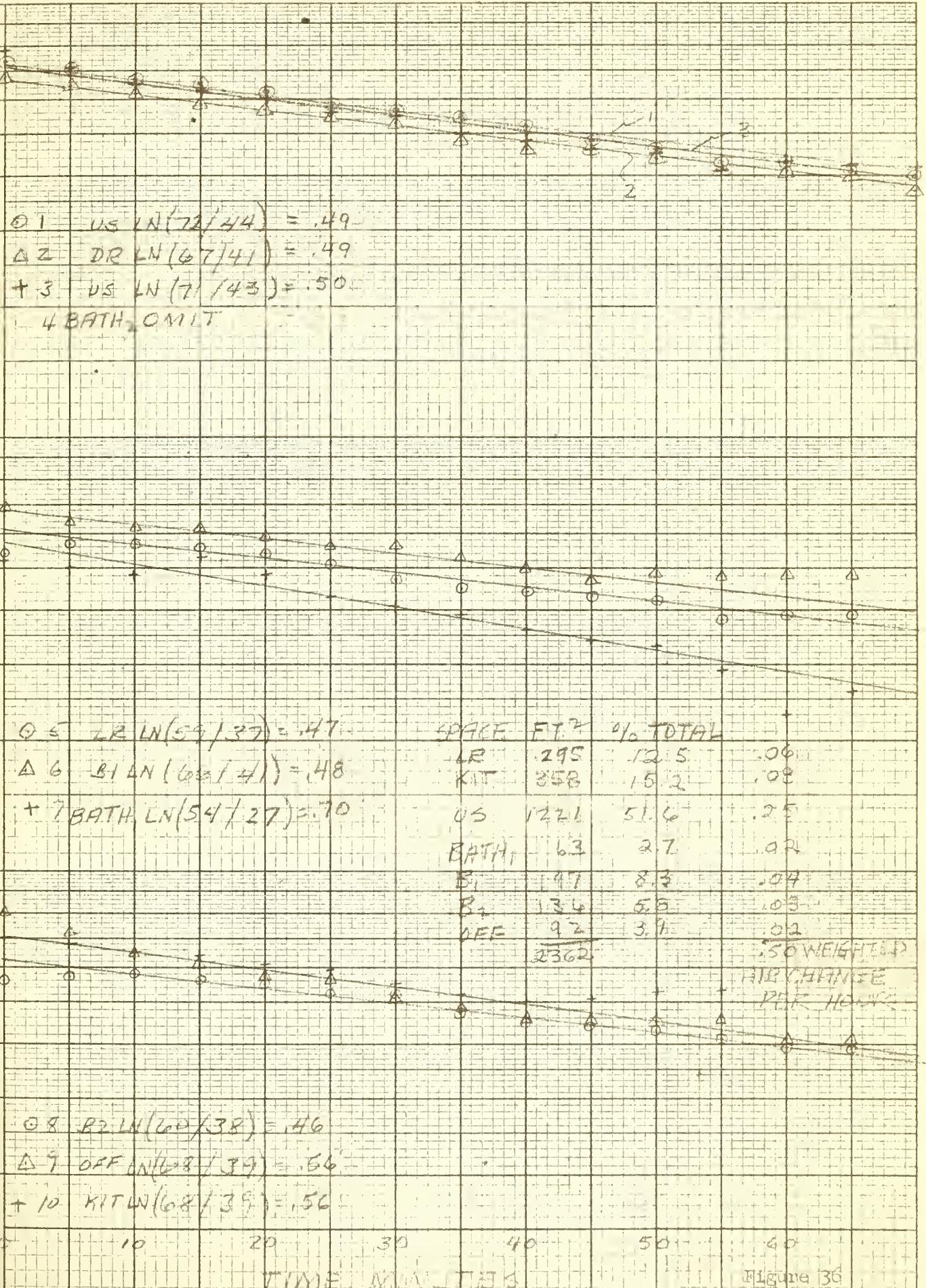


Figure 36

R.E. LUDWIG

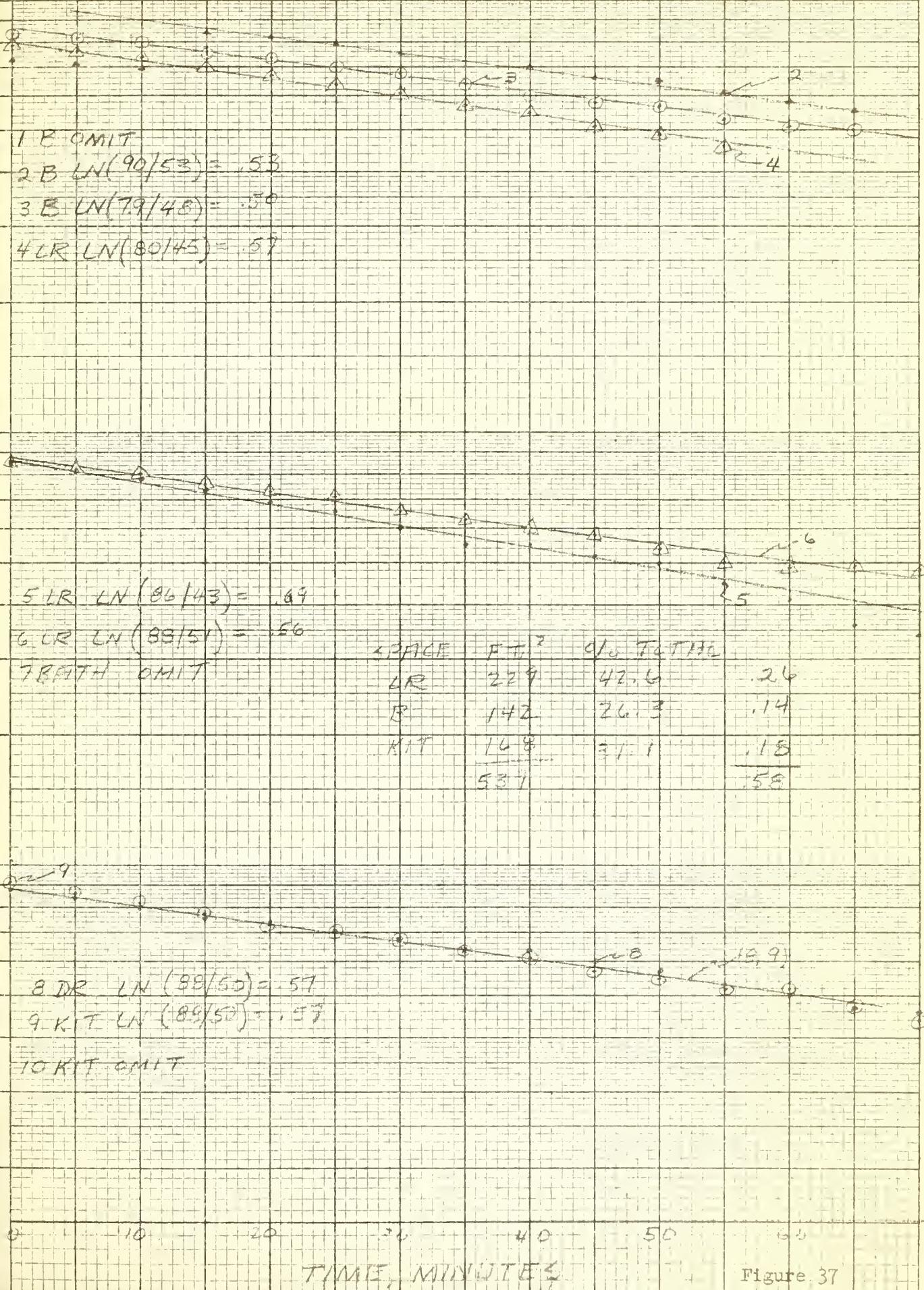
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DEC. 20, 1962

Figure 37

1 BR ON UNIT

2 BR LN (19/29) = 1.00

3 FR LN (83/83) = .95

4 LR LN (29/49) = .59

5 LR LN (91/39) = .73

6 LR LN (84/44) = .67

7 BATH LN (83/49) = .59

SPACE FT² / 0.6 TOTAL

LR	22.9	39.9	27
BR	14.2	24.7	23
KIT	16.8	29.3	27
BATH	3.5	6.1	4
	57.4		81

WEIGHTED AIR

CHANGE PER HOUR

8 DR LN (86/47) = 1.60

9 KIT LN (81/31) = .96

10 KIT LN (74/23) = 1.17

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50

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TIME, MINUTES

Figure 38

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